

State of Missouri



Public Defender Commission

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2000

Assuring the Public Defense

The Right to Counsel and the State Public Defender System in Missouri

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governor Carnahan
Chief Justice Price
Members of the General Assembly
Presiding Judges

FROM: J. Marty Robinson, Director; and
Members of the State Public Defender Commission



DATE: September 14, 2000

RE: Fiscal Year 2000 Annual Report

It is our great pleasure to present this Annual Report of the Missouri State Public Defender System for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000.

Public Defender caseloads are always an issue of concern and FY2000 is no exception, particularly in our trial division. The trial division, which provides representation in all 45 Missouri Judicial Circuits, was assigned 73,781 cases in FY00, up 2.9% from 71,700 in FY99. However, case dispositions were only 68,314, down 6.67% from 73,197 in FY99. This 91.9 disposition rate is of particular concern as the State Public Defender System was assigned 5,467 more cases than it was able to close.

The reason Missouri's Public Defenders are falling behind is there are simply not enough public defenders. However, more public defender positions at this time is not the answer. Filling existing public defender positions is.

Despite concentrated recruitment efforts the Missouri State Public Defender System has been unable to hire attorneys for many public defender positions. This is particularly true in rural areas of Missouri. In many cases it is not a shortage of applicants for vacant positions, but there are no applicants at all.

Most new assistant public defenders are recent law school graduates. A recent survey by the Office of State Public Defender found most of those applicants graduated law school with student loan debt of \$50,000 to \$100,000. Five percent of those surveyed had student loan debt in excess of \$100,000. Many new lawyers that would like to be assistant public defenders simply cannot afford to.

For fiscal year 2002 the State Public Defender Commission is requesting funds to begin a student loan reimbursement program. We also plan to recommend legislative action which would allow student loan forgiveness or deferments to recent graduates burdened with heavy debt that would like to go into public service. The ability to hire new assistant public defenders to fill new positions or vacancies is critical to the administration of justice in this state.

This year the Missouri Public Defender Commission and the Office of State Public Defender will continue our efforts at securing adequate, efficient facilities for all public defender offices. As caseloads continue to decrease in metropolitan areas and increase in rural areas, the need to be flexible with statewide staffing and efficient use of statewide resources is becoming more critical. The current statutory scheme for providing public defender office space (RSMo. 600.040.1) simply does not allow the flexibility to shift staffing where needed. We once again propose and recommend a change to Chapter 600, allowing the Office of State Public Defender control of and budget for its office space, rather than having office space a county obligation.

Fiscal year 2000 was a challenging year for Missouri's Public Defender System. The trends in caseloads and having attorneys to handle them are of concern. Within the limits of our funding and within our abilities to hire new attorneys we will continue to provide the best possible indigent defense system for the State of Missouri.

Your interest and continuing support of Missouri's Public Defender System is greatly appreciated.

Public Defender Commission

Annual Report – Fiscal Year 2000

I. The Public Defender System

In response to the guarantee of effective assistance of counsel contained in both the United States and Missouri constitutions, the Missouri State Public Defender System was established on April 1, 1982 as a "system for providing defense services to every jurisdiction within the state by means of a centrally administered organization having a full-time staff." Through this Department of State government, constitutionally required defense services are provided to eligible persons. This is accomplished through an organized program capable of responding to the needs of all judicial jurisdictions within the state in an efficient, cost-effective manner.

Until 1989 defense services in many parts of the state, usually rural areas, were provided by private attorneys who had contracted with Missouri's Public Defender System to provide such services to the indigent accused. In fiscal 1990 and 1991, the Missouri State Public Defender System was reorganized and the contract system of providing services was eliminated. Contract counsel were replaced by State Public Defender District Offices.

Today, the Missouri State Public Defender is organized into three legal service divisions, which include the Trial, Appellate, and Capital Divisions. The Trial Division (a map detailing the trial district offices can be found at the end of this report) provides legal services at the trial level throughout the state and is subdivided into thirty-five district offices. The Appellate Division, which provides legal services for cases in the Appellate and Supreme Courts and with post-conviction matters in the trial courts, has offices in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Columbia. The Capital Division, which provides representation in cases at trial and on appeal when the death penalty is being by the prosecution, has offices in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Columbia.

Every attorney in the Public Defender system handles cases representing Missouri's indigent accused of crimes. Management has been reduced to a minimum in order to maximize efficient use of the state's resources.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Missouri State Public Defender System is to provide high quality, zealous advocacy for indigent people who are accused of crime in the State of Missouri.

The lawyers, administrative staff, and support staff of the Public Defender System will ensure that this advocacy is not comprised.

To provide this uncompromised advocacy, the Defender System will supply each client with a high-quality, competent, ardent defense team at every stage of the process in which public defenders are necessary.

II. What Does a Public Defender Do?

Every Missouri Public Defender is an attorney, licensed to practice law in the State of Missouri. When an individual is accused of a crime and requests a lawyer, a referral is made to the public defender office handling the cases in the county where the charge has originated. After an accused makes application for public defender services, the public defender makes a determination using financial guidelines established by the State Public Defender Commission as to whether or not the accused is indigent and eligible for public defender representation. If the accused is found eligible by the defender, the defender undertakes representation of the accused. If the defender does not find the accused eligible, the accused may appeal the defender's determination to the court. Only then, and only if the court disagrees with the defender's determination, may the court order the defender to represent the accused.

In most jurisdictions, the public defender is the legal counsel for 75-80% of the cases on the criminal docket. The process of representing the indigent accused includes representing the client in all facets of the case. Defenders must interview witnesses, file for discovery, prepare and file required motions, negotiate with the prosecution, prepare trial strategy and do the legal research necessary to provide representation to the client in a court of law. Representation of the accused extends to an appeal if, after the trial, the defendant is found guilty.

Using data from fiscal year 2000, a composite example of a "typical defender" can be developed. The "typical defender" will close 220 cases in the course of one year. This means the defender must dispose of an average of one case each workday to insure successful management of the cases assigned. Approximately 84 of the cases assigned to the "typical defender" in a year are felonies. The breakdown by category of cases handled by the "typical defender" is presented on the following page.

FY2000 State Public Defender System-Wide Composite Public Defender	
Description	# of Cases
Homicide	1
A-B Felony	17
C-D Felony	66
Misdemeanor	70
Juvenile	14
Post Conviction Relief	3
Probation Violations	48
Appeals	1
Total Average Caseload Per System Attorney	220

Given the workload of our "typical defender," the demand on attorney time is greater then ever. The average Public Defender provides representation in 220 cases each year; more than one per day every work day of every week for the entire year. Providing effective assistance of counsel in each case demands a well-trained, highly experienced corps of dedicated attorneys and support staff.

Recent salary increases have greatly improved attorney retention. Attorney turnover has been reduced from 20% per year to just 7%. The more experienced and better trained public defenders have been able to handle higher, more complex caseloads.

III. Caseload and Cost Highlights

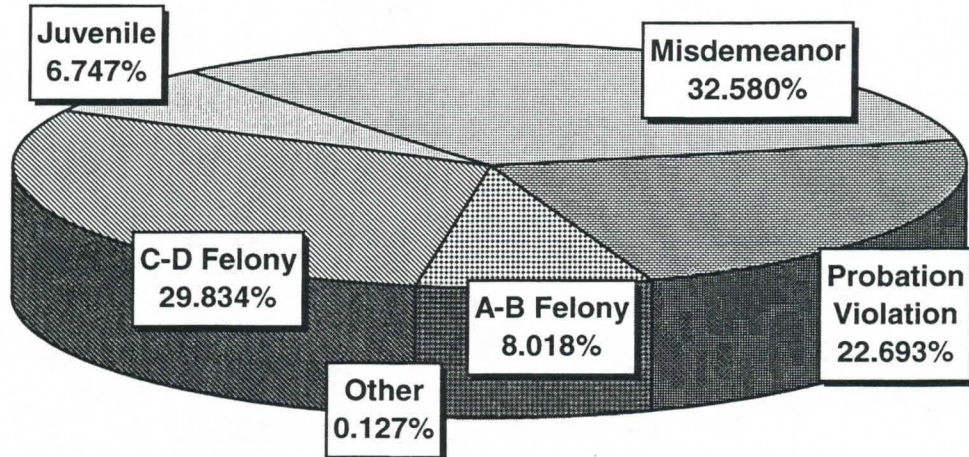
A. Caseload

1. New Cases

The State Public Defender System's Trial Division opened 73,781 new cases in Fiscal Year 2000. The greatest number of cases are reflected in the felony and misdemeanor caseloads.

FY2000 Trial Division Opened Cases by Case Type		
	Description	# of Cases Represented
10	Murder – Death Penalty	6
15	Murder – 1 st Degree	109
20	Other Homicide	105
30	A-B Felony	5,696
35	C-D Felony	22,012
40	Misdemeanor	17,630
45	Misdemeanor – Traffic	6,408
50	Juvenile – Status	1,046
52	Juvenile – Criminal	3,932
54	Post Conviction Relief Rule 24 & Rule 29	7
60	Chapter 552	54
61	Sexual Predator Hearings & Trials	7
65	Probation Violation	16,743
75	Writ	15
80	Appeal	6
82	Direct Appeal	5
	Total Trial Division Assignments	73,781

FY2000 - Trial Division Opened Cases by Case Type



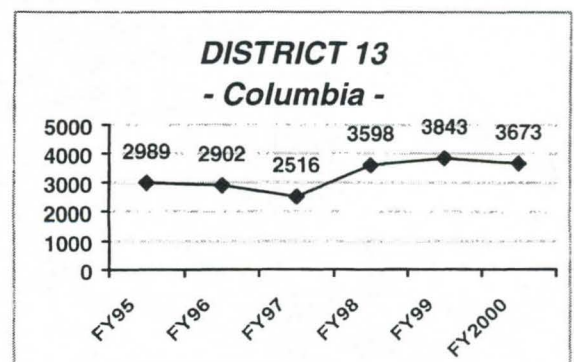
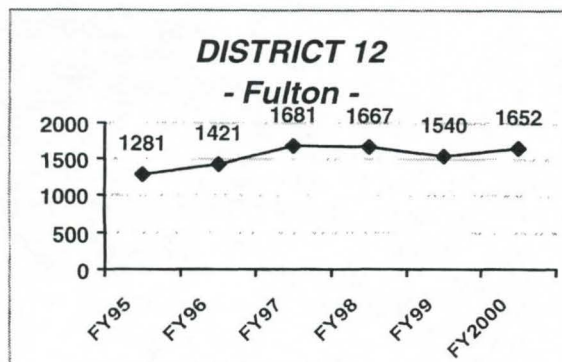
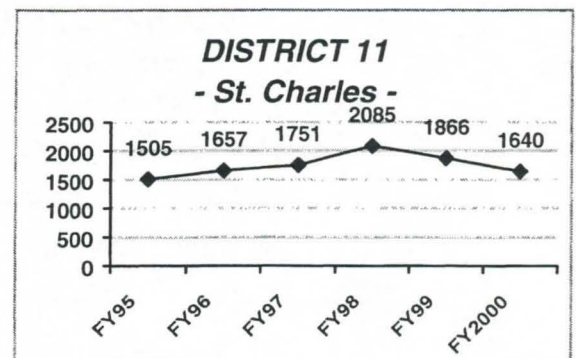
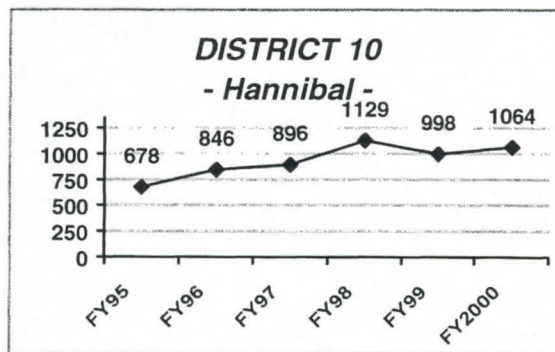
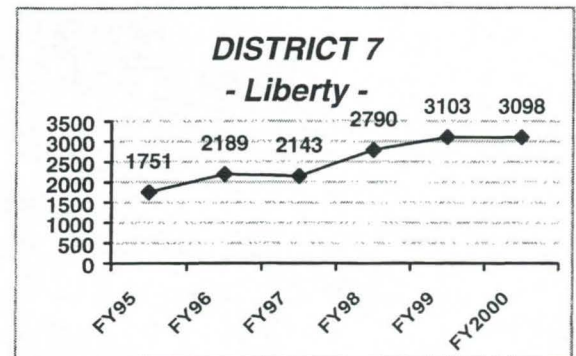
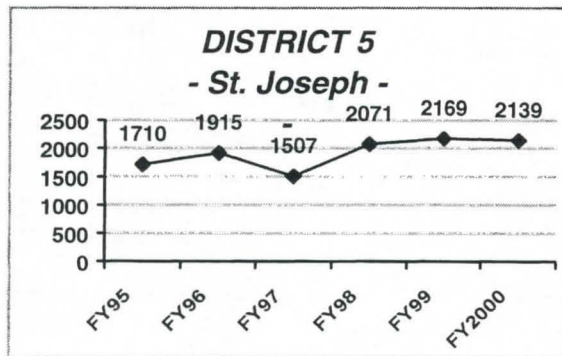
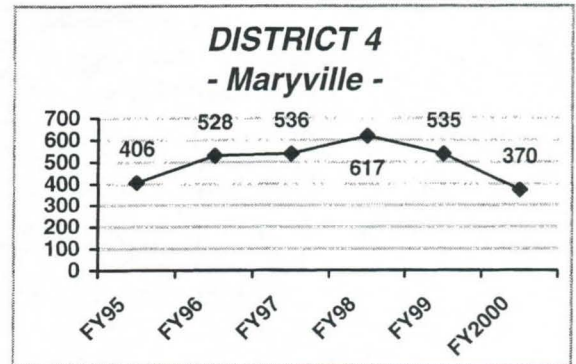
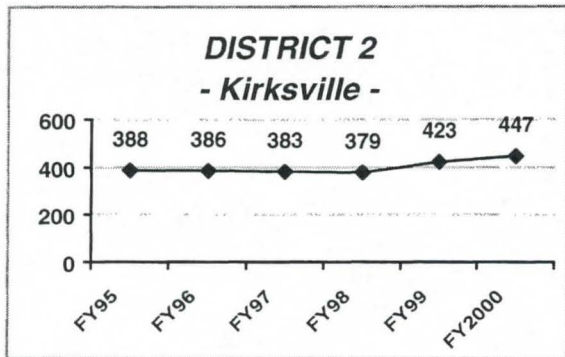
Felony Cases Opened	27,928 or 37.85% of the total caseload
Misdemeanor Cases Opened	24,038 or 32.58% of the total caseload
Probation Violation Cases Opened	16,743 or 22.69% of the total caseload
Juvenile Cases Opened	4,978 or 6.75% of the total caseload

TRIAL DIVISION CASE ASSIGNMENTS
FISCAL YEAR COMPARISONS - FY96 to FY2000
BY DISTRICT

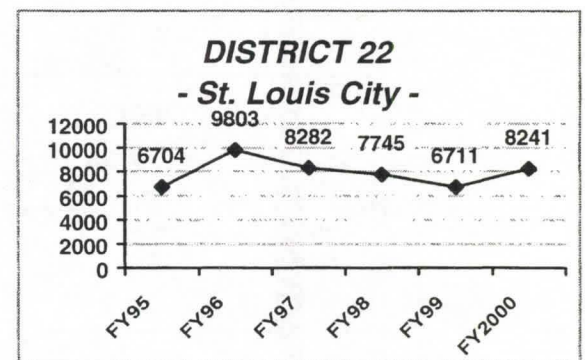
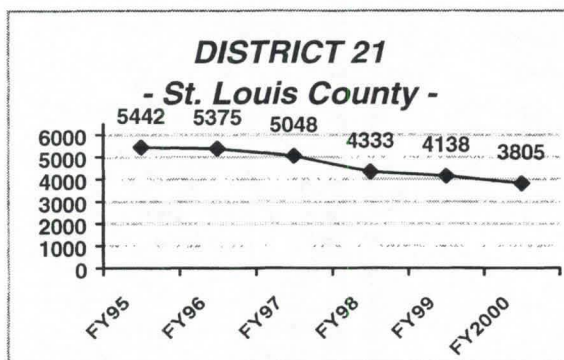
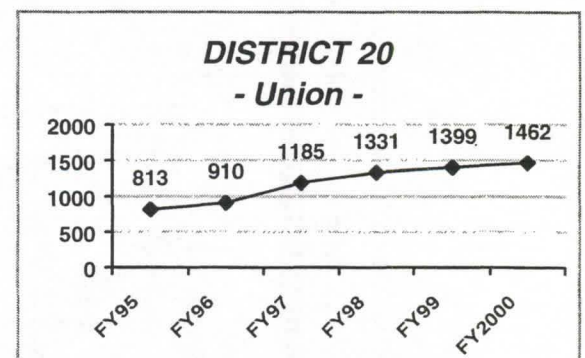
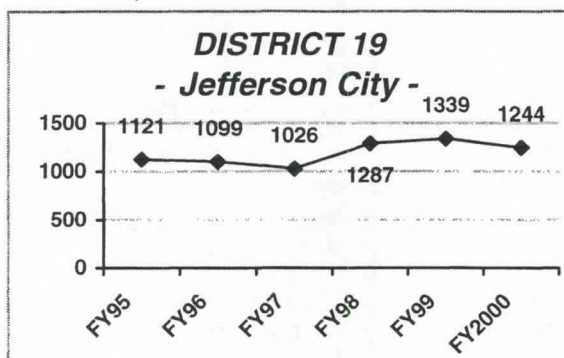
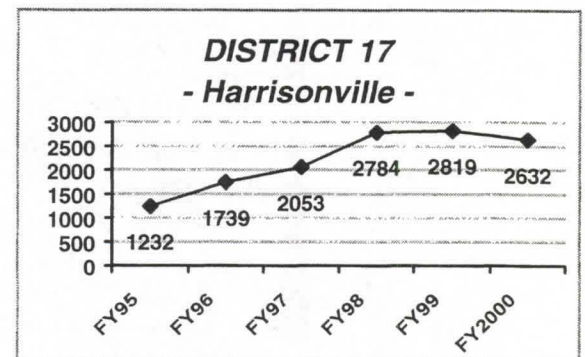
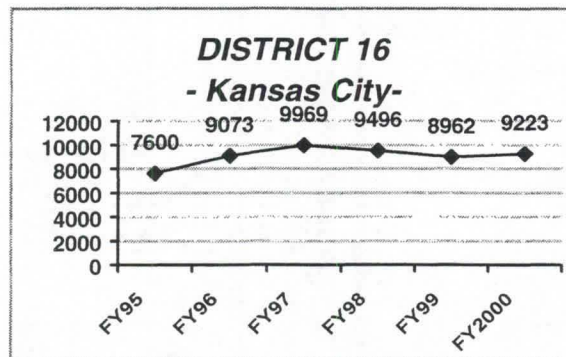
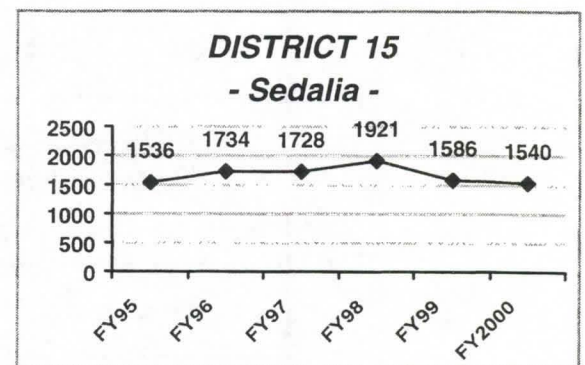
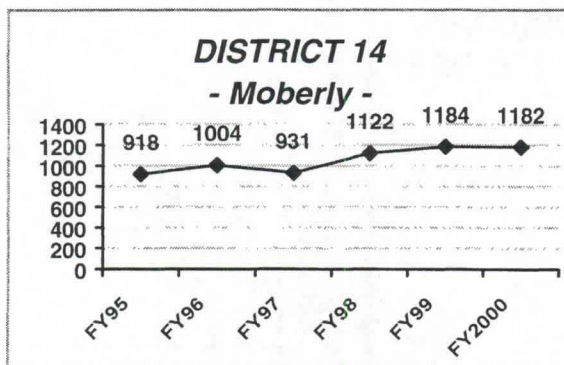
District #	District Name	FY96 Cases Assigned	FY97 Cases Assigned	# Change 96 to 97	% Change 96 to 97	FY98 Cases Assigned	# Change 97 to 98	% Change 97 to 98	FY99 Cases Assigned	# Change 98 to 99	% Change 98 to 99	FY2000 Cases Assigned	# Change 99 to 00	% Change 99 to 00	# Change 96 to 2000	% Change 96 to 2000
1	St. Louis Juvenile	0	1,624	1,624	*	1,626	2	0.12%	1,919	293	18.02%	2,164	245	12.77%	2,164	*
2	Kirksville	386	383	(3)	-0.78%	376	(7)	-1.83%	423	47	12.50%	447	24	5.67%	61	15.80%
4	Maryville	528	536	8	1.52%	617	81	15.11%	535	(82)	-13.29%	370	(165)	-30.84%	(158)	-29.92%
5	St. Joseph	1,915	1,507	(408)	-21.31%	2,071	564	37.43%	2,169	98	4.73%	2,139	(30)	-1.38%	224	11.70%
7	Liberty	2,189	2,143	(46)	-2.10%	2,790	647	30.19%	3,103	313	11.22%	3,098	(5)	-0.16%	909	41.53%
10	Hannibal	846	896	50	5.91%	1,129	233	26.00%	998	(131)	-11.60%	1,064	66	6.61%	218	25.77%
11	St. Charles	1,657	1,751	94	5.67%	2,085	334	19.07%	1,866	(219)	-10.50%	1,640	(226)	-12.11%	(17)	-1.03%
12	Fulton	1,421	1,681	260	18.30%	1,667	(14)	-0.83%	1,540	(127)	-7.62%	1,652	112	7.27%	231	16.26%
13	Columbia	2,902	2,516	(386)	-13.30%	3,598	1,082	43.00%	3,843	245	6.81%	3,673	(170)	-4.42%	771	26.57%
14	Moberly	1,004	931	(73)	-7.27%	1,122	191	20.52%	1,184	62	5.53%	1,182	(2)	-0.17%	178	17.73%
15	Sedalia	1,734	1,728	(6)	-0.35%	1,921	193	11.17%	1,586	(335)	-17.44%	1,540	(46)	-2.90%	(194)	-11.19%
16	Kansas City	9,073	9,969	896	9.88%	9,496	(473)	-4.74%	8,962	(534)	-5.62%	9,223	261	2.91%	150	1.65%
17	Harrisonville	1,739	2,053	314	18.06%	2,784	731	35.61%	2,819	35	1.26%	2,632	(187)	-6.63%	893	51.35%
19	Jefferson City	1,099	1,026	(73)	-6.64%	1,287	261	25.44%	1,339	52	4.04%	1,244	(95)	-7.09%	145	13.19%
20	Union	910	1,185	275	30.22%	1,331	146	12.32%	1,399	68	5.11%	1,462	63	4.50%	552	60.66%
21	St. Louis County	5,375	5,048	(327)	-6.08%	4,333	(715)	-14.16%	4,138	(195)	-4.50%	3,805	(333)	-8.05%	(1,570)	-29.21%
22	St. Louis City	9,803	8,282	(1,521)	-15.52%	7,745	(537)	-6.48%	6,711	(1,034)	-13.35%	8,241	1,530	22.80%	(1,562)	-15.93%
23	Hillsboro	1,268	1,435	167	13.17%	1,269	(166)	-11.57%	1,195	(74)	-5.83%	1,234	39	3.26%	(34)	-2.68%
24	Farmington	1,516	1,634	118	7.78%	1,575	(59)	-3.61%	1,719	144	9.14%	1,734	15	0.87%	218	14.38%
25	Rolla	2,198	1,877	(321)	-14.60%	2,147	270	14.38%	2,132	(15)	-0.70%	2,358	226	10.60%	160	7.28%
26	Lebanon	1,405	1,501	96	6.83%	1,906	405	26.98%	1,632	(274)	-14.38%	1,901	269	16.48%	496	35.30%
28	Nevada	799	812	13	1.63%	905	93	11.45%	1,007	102	11.27%	1,003	(4)	-0.40%	204	25.53%
29	Carthage	3,498	3,351	(147)	-4.20%	3,713	362	10.80%	3,461	(252)	-6.79%	3,791	330	9.53%	293	8.38%
30	Buffalo	913	1,032	119	13.03%	1,171	139	13.47%	1,076	(95)	-8.11%	941	(135)	-12.55%	28	3.07%
31	Springfield	2,242	2,584	342	15.25%	2,536	(48)	-1.86%	2,577	41	1.62%	2,739	162	6.29%	497	22.17%
32	Cape Girardeau	2,275	2,077	(198)	-8.70%	2,459	382	18.39%	2,237	(222)	-9.03%	2,409	172	7.69%	134	5.89%
34	Caruthersville	977	556	(421)	-43.09%	1,106	550	98.92%	887	(219)	-19.80%	985	98	11.05%	8	0.82%
35	Kennett	1,198	1,477	279	23.29%	1,265	(212)	-14.35%	1,522	257	20.32%	1,552	30	1.97%	354	29.55%
36	Poplar Bluff	1,481	1,350	(131)	-8.85%	1,579	229	16.96%	1,460	(119)	-7.54%	1,232	(228)	-15.62%	(249)	-16.81%
37	West Plains	545	557	12	2.20%	656	99	17.77%	642	(14)	-2.13%	761	119	18.54%	216	39.63%
39	Monett	1,586	1,595	9	0.57%	1,905	310	19.44%	1,880	(25)	-1.31%	1,916	36	1.91%	330	20.81%
43	Chillicothe	1,462	1,728	266	18.19%	1,945	217	12.56%	1,702	(243)	-12.49%	1,707	5	0.29%	245	16.76%
44	Ava	460	543	83	18.04%	616	73	13.44%	525	(91)	-14.77%	437	(88)	-16.76%	(23)	-5.00%
45	Troy	578	676	98	16.96%	777	101	14.94%	816	39	5.02%	849	33	4.04%	271	46.89%
47	Springfield Conflicts	511	350	(161)	-31.51%	441	91	26.00%	0	(441)	-100.00%				(511)	-100.00%
49	St. Louis City Conflict	866	838	(28)	-3.23%	761	(77)	-9.19%	696	(65)	-8.54%	656	(40)	-5.75%	(210)	-24.25%
Total Trial Division Assignments		68,359	69,232	873	1.28%	74,710	5,478	7.91%	71,700	(3,010)	-4.03%	73,781	2,081	2.90%	5,422	7.93%
		FY96		FY97			FY98			FY99			FY2000		FY96 to FY2000	

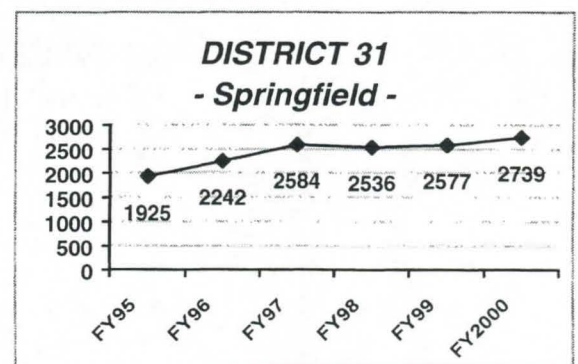
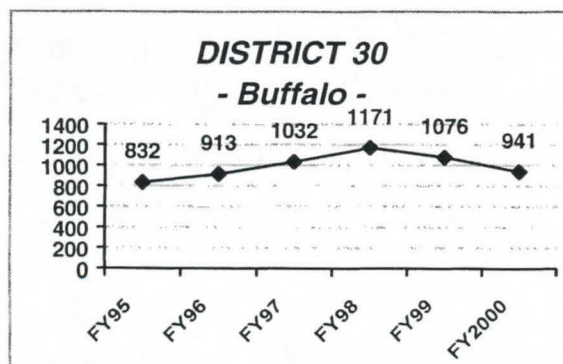
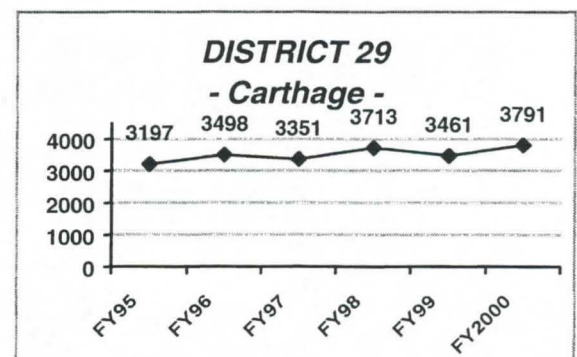
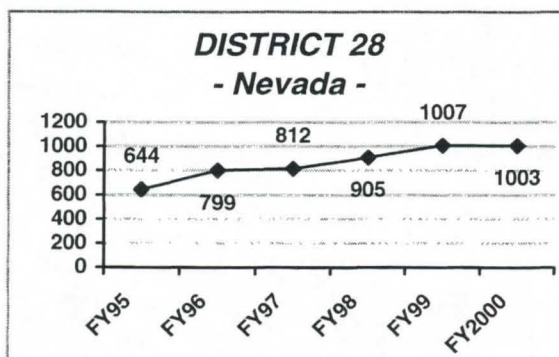
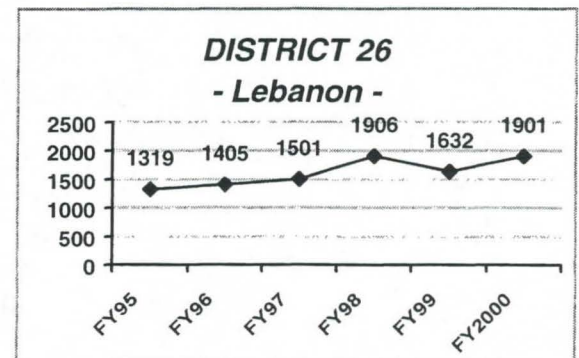
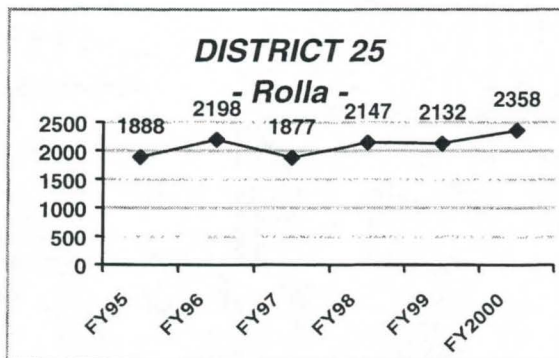
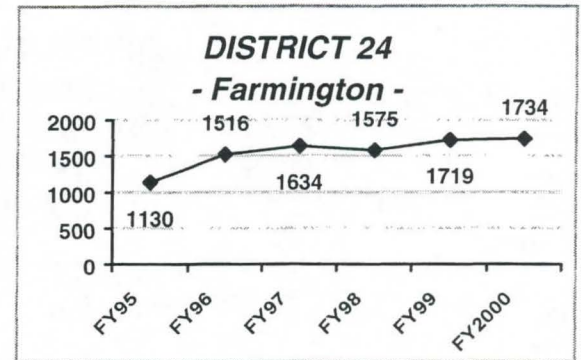
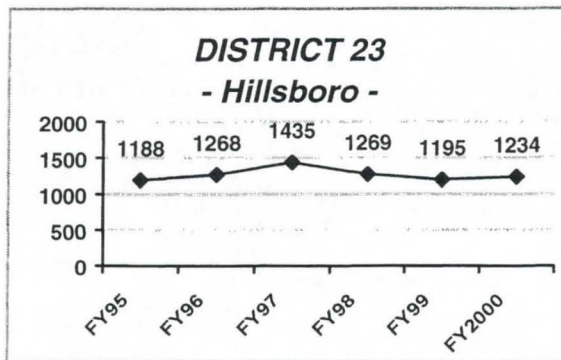
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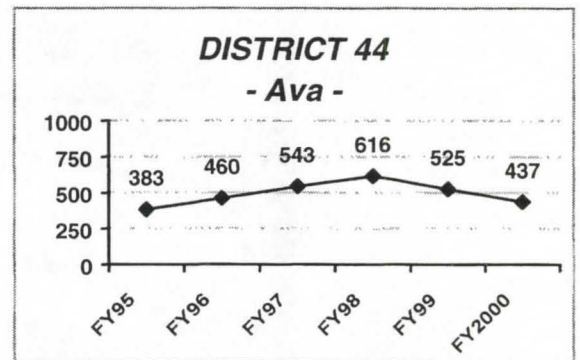
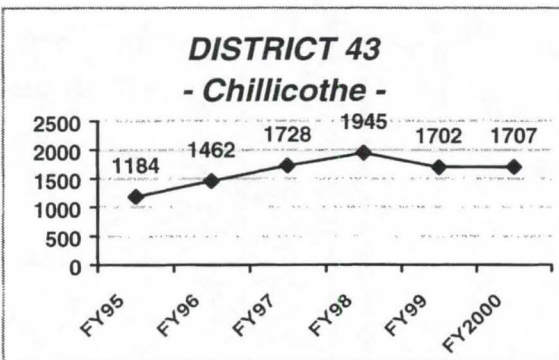
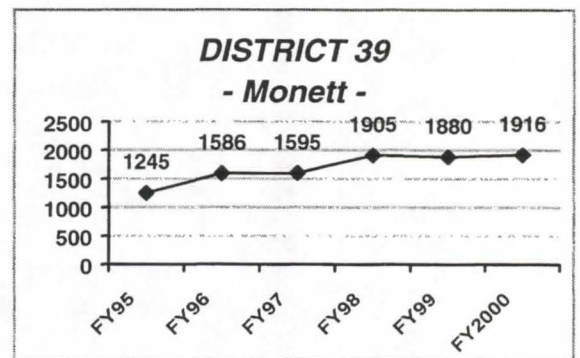
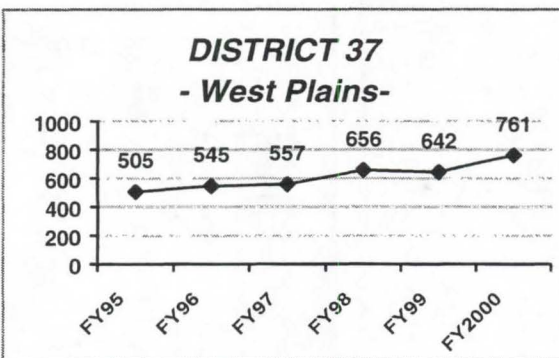
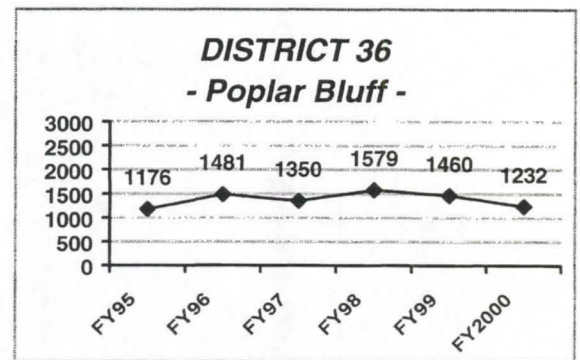
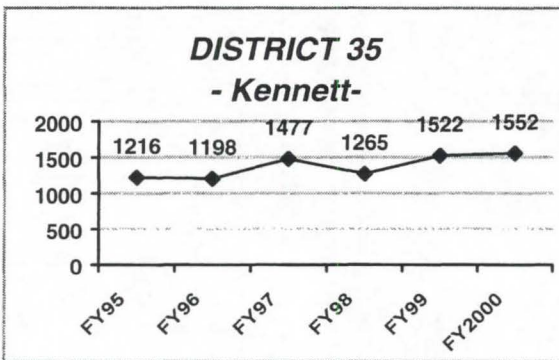
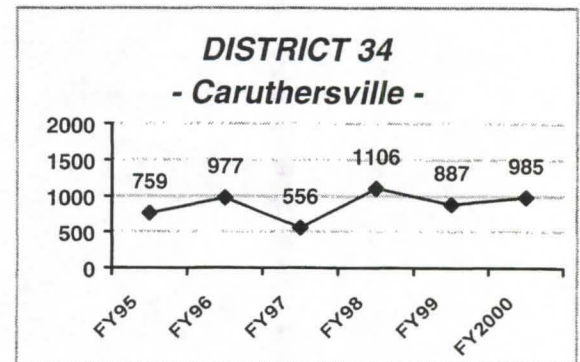
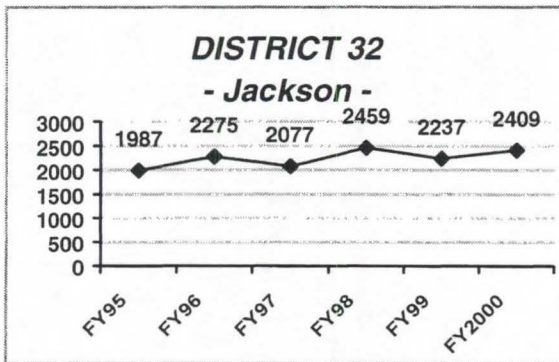
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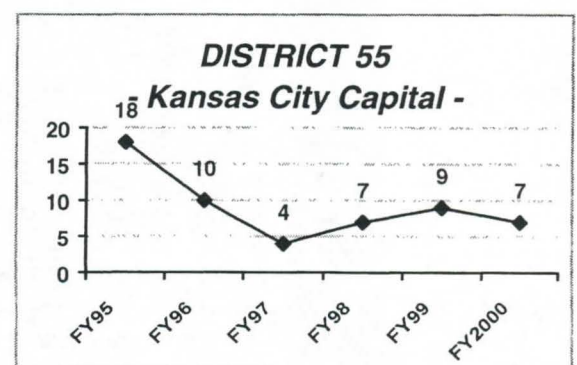
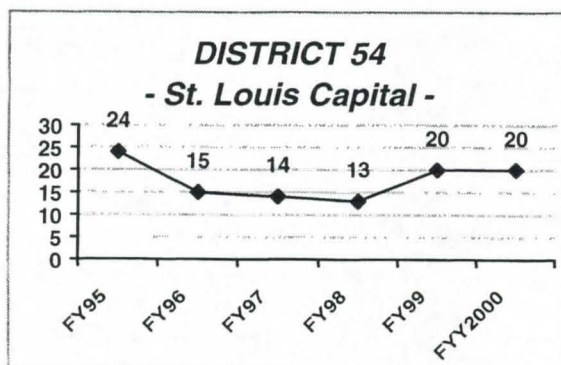
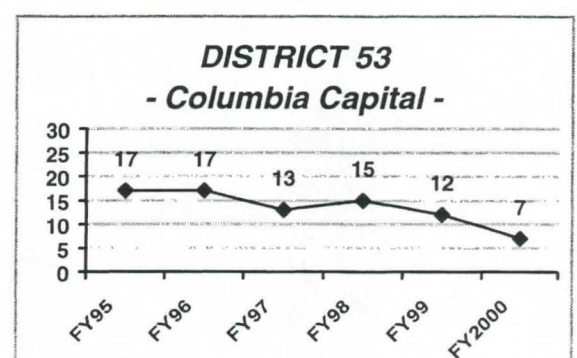
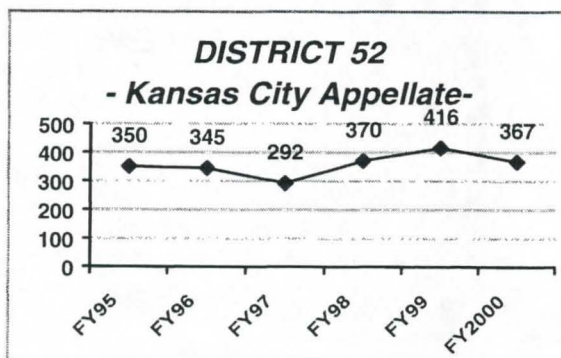
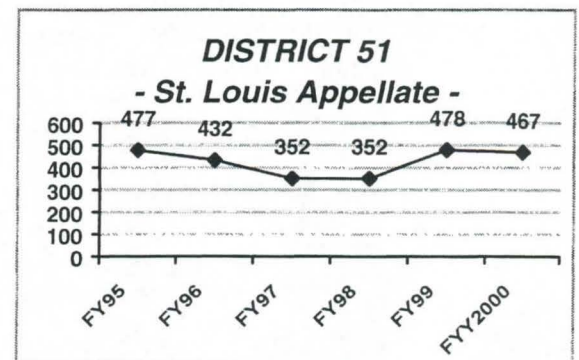
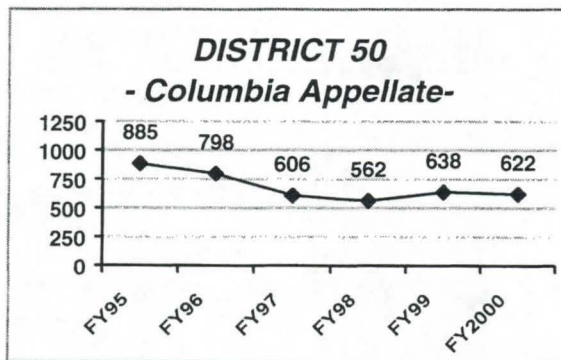
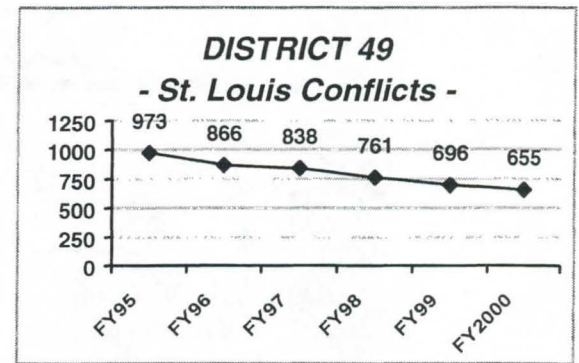
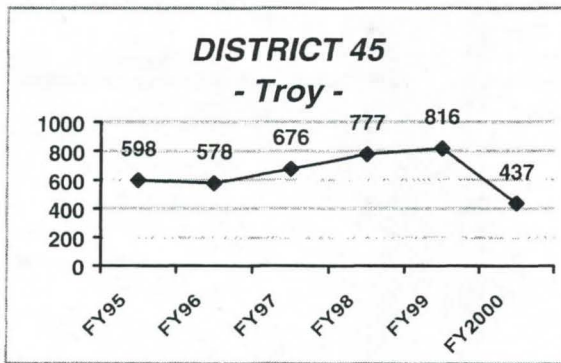


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FY2000 TRIAL DIVISION ASSIGNED CASES BY CHARGE CODE

Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases	Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases
001.000	Probation Violation	9,539	252.040	Pursuing/taking wildlife	18
001.100	Juvenile	436	252.045	Operation of MV on conservation property	1
001.110	Juvenile Injurious Behavior	334	260.212	Criminal disposition of solid waste	1
001.115	Juvenile Review Hearing	98	287.128	Workers compensation fraud/MA	2
001.120	Juvenile PV Only	499	288.380	Illegal unemployment compensation	0
001.125	Juvenile Status	247	301.020	Failure to register	210
001.130	Juvenile Misdemeanor	61	301.120	Failure to return plates	0
001.135	Juvenile Felony C-D (Cert.)	9	301.130	Failure to display valid plates	157
001.140	Juvenile Felony A-B (Cert.)	1	301.140	Displaying plates of another	71
001.145	Juvenile Felony C-D	60	301.218	Conducting salvage bus. without a license	0
001.150	Juvenile Felony A-B	19	301.277	Failure to register non-resident vehicle	11
001.155	Juvenile Murder 1st/2nd (Cert.)	2	301.320	Displaying another states plates	4
001.160	Juvenile Homicide (Cert)	0	301.390	Sale of vehicle with altered VIN	7
001.165	Juvenile Homicide	0	301.400	Removing/defacing manufacturer numbers FC	1
043.170	Failure to stop for Hwy Patrol	10	301.420	False statement on application for registration	0
115.631	Election Offense Class I	0	302.020	Operating MV without a valid license	311
142.432	No spec. motor fuel lic.	0	302.041	Financial responsibility while operating vehicle	25
143.931	Failure to file MO tax return	2	302.200	Operating MV w/out new license after revoked	17
144.480	Failure to pay state sales tax	2	302.210	Purchase of vehicle without receiving full title	2
167.031	Compulsory school attendance MC	116	302.220	Possession of altered driver's license	17
167.061	Educational neglect	23	302.230	Making false stmt to obtain driver's license M	4
190.308	Misuse of 911 phone service	3	302.260	Unlicensed person operating motor vehicle	5
191.877	Risk of infecting another w/HIV FD	0	302.321	Driving while suspended or revoked	6,298
191.905	False receipt of health care payment	0	302.340	Prohibited use of a license	1
194.410	Disturbing human burial site	0	303.024	Failure to provide evidence of insurance	247
194.425	Abandonment of a corpse	3	303.025	Operating MV w/out financial responsibility	117
195.130	Maintaining a public nuisance	1	303.041	Failure to maintain financial responsibility	25
195.202	Drug Possession	6,059	303.370	Driving while revoked or suspended for 303.02	151
195.203	Possession Under 35 Grams	490	304.000	Traffic	196
195.204	Fraudulent attempt to obtain cont. sub.	117	304.010	Speeding	256
195.211	Distribution/delivery/manufacture FA/B/C	3,110	304.012	Careless and imprudent driving	228
195.212	Unlawful distribution to minor	9	304.013	Operating ATV's illegally	2
195.213	Unlawful purchase or transport with a minor	1	304.015	Failure to drive on right side of the road	191
195.214	Dist. drugs within 1000 ft of a school FA	307	304.016	Violation of passing regulation	20
195.218	Dist. drugs within 1000 ft of public housing	63	304.017	Following too closely	10
195.222	Drug trafficking FD	73	304.019	Failure to signal	33
195.223	Drug trafficking SD	536	304.022	Failure to yield to emergency vehicle	56
195.226	Furnishing materials for producing cont. sub.	1	304.271	Failure to stop at stop sign	31
195.233	Use of drug paraphernalia MA	751	304.281	Failure to stop at signal or crosswalk	15
195.235	Delivery or manufacture of drug paraphernalia	33	304.351	Failure to yield right-of-way	31
195.241	Possession of an imitation drug	8	304.665	Juvenile in bed of truck	2
195.242	Delivery or manufacture of an imitation drug	63	306.111	Neg. operation vessel/intoxicated/manslaughter	1
195.246	Possession of ephedrine	70	306.124	Fastening or damaging navigation aid w/vessel	2
195.254	Delivery by manufacturer or distributor	2	307.040	Failure to display stop & turn signals on trailer	6
195.291	Persistent drug offender	0	307.045	Faulty headlights	11
195.410	Possession of chemicals for meth.	4	307.070	Failure to dim lights w/in 500 ft oncoming vehicle	9
195.420	Creation of a controlled substance	166	307.075	Failure to equip trailer with tail lights	15
210.104	Failure to provide child safety restraint	27	307.170	Operating vehicle with excessive noise	7
211.031	Exclusive jurisdiction of juvenile court	26	307.173	Vision reducing material applied to windows	21
217.360	Possession of cont. sub. in corr. facility	37	307.178	Seat belt violation	79
217.385	Committing violence	20	307.400	Operating commercial vehicle without service	5
221.111	Delivering/possessing prohibited articles in jail	62	311.310	Supplying liquor to a minor	53
221.353	Damage to jail property FD	29	311.325	Possession of liquor by a minor	196

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Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases	Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases
311.328	Altering operator's license or ID card	3	566.034	Statutory rape SD	116
311.329	Possessing altered operator's license or ID card	7	566.040	Sexual assault 1st FA/B	13
311.550	Sale of liquor without a license	0	566.050	Sexual assault 2nd FC/D	8
311.880	Sale of alcohol to minor	6	566.060	Sodomy FA/B	93
313.380	Possess any device violating sect 313.800-85	0	566.062	Statutory sodomy 1st Dgr	193
313.830	Cheating a gambling game	3	566.064	Statutory sodomy 2nd Dgr	40
367.045	Failure to repay pawnbroker MB	0	566.067	Child molestation 1st Dgr	118
407.020	Unlawful merchandising practices	33	566.068	Child molestation 2nd Dgr	26
407.536	Odometer fraud FD	0	566.070	Deviate sexual assault 1st FB/C	16
407.542	Odometer fraud attempt	0	566.080	Deviate sexual assault 2nd FC/D	1
454.440	Failing to complete an information statement	11	566.083	Sexual misconduct involving a child	10
455.085	Violation of a protective order	586	566.090	Sexual misconduct MA	129
455.538	Violation of an order of child protection	4	566.093	Sexual misconduct 2nd Dgr	43
468.350	As ownr oper/auth anothr to op	1	566.095	Sexual misconduct 3rd Dgr	9
476.110	Criminal contempt of court	15	566.100	Sexual abuse 1st FC/D	31
542.400	Illegal wire tapping	0	566.110	Sexual abuse 2nd MA/FD	3
544.665	Failure to appear	126	566.120	Sexual abuse 3rd MA	2
548.131	Fugitive from justice	363	566.130	Indecent exposure MA	7
557.035	Hate crime C/D Fel	1	566.625	Failure to register as a sex offender	2
557.036	Persistent offender	68	567.020	Prostitution MB	57
558.016	Persistent misdemeanor offender	0	567.030	Patronizing prostitution MB	3
562.036	Possessing controlled substance w/intent to d	0	567.050	Promoting prostitution 1st FB	0
564.011	Attempt to commit an offense	334	567.060	Promoting prostitution 2nd FC	3
564.016	Conspiracy FB	78	567.070	Promoting prostitution 3rd FD	6
565.020	Murder 1st FA	139	568.010	Bigamy MA	1
565.021	Murder 2nd FA	126	568.020	Incest FD	5
565.023	Voluntary manslaughter FB	2	568.030	Abandonment of a child 1st FB	0
565.024	Involuntary manslaughter FC	34	568.032	Abandonment of a child 2nd FD	0
565.050	Assault 1st FA/B	574	568.040	Criminal nonsupport MA/FD	2,723
565.060	Assault 2nd FC	970	568.045	Endangering welfare of a child 1st Dgr	266
565.065	Unlawful endangerment of another FC	0	568.050	Endangering welfare of a child MA	203
565.070	Assault 3rd MA/C	3,900	568.060	Abuse of a child FB/C	102
565.075	Assault on school property - FD	33	568.070	Unlawful transactions with a child MB	2
565.081	Assault law enforcement officer FA	53	568.080	Using a child in a sexual performance FB/C	9
565.082	Assault law enforcement officer	99	568.090	Promoting sexual performance by a child FC	0
565.083	Assault law enforcement officer 3rd MA	194	568.110	Processor failure to report MB	0
565.084	Tampering with a judicial officer	8	568.175	Trafficking in children FC	3
565.090	Harassment MA	145	569.020	Robbery 1st FA	664
565.092	aggravated harassment	2	569.025	Pharmacy robbery 1st FA	1
565.100	Tampering with evidence	2	569.030	Robbery 2nd FB	459
565.110	Kidnapping FA/B	35	569.035	Pharmacy robbery 2nd FB	0
565.120	Felonious restraint FC	51	569.040	Arson 1st FB	50
565.130	False imprisonment MA/FD	13	569.050	Arson 2nd FC	86
565.156	Child abduction	10	569.055	Knowingly burning or exploding FD	52
565.165	Assisting in child abduction or kidnapping	0	569.060	Receless burning or exploding MA	4
565.180	Elder abuse FD	4	569.065	Negligent burning or exploding MB	15
565.182	Elder abuse SD	3	569.070	Catastrophe FA	1
565.184	Elder abuse TD	10	569.080	Tampering 1st FC	1,890
565.188	False report of elder abuse	0	569.085	Unlawful endangerment of property FC	0
565.225	Aggravated stalking	63	569.090	Tampering 2nd MA/FD	288
565.225	Stalking	0	569.095	Tampering with intellectual property MA/FD	1
565.253	Invasion of privacy	1	569.097	Tampering with computer equipment FC/D	1
566.030	Rape FA/B	174	569.099	Tampering with computer users MA/FD	0
566.032	Statutory rape FD	150	569.100	Property damage 1st FD	301

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Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases	Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases
569.120	Property damage 2nd MB	514	573.065	Coercing acceptance of obscene materials	0
569.140	Trespass 1st MB	526	574.010	Peace disturbance	129
569.150	Trespass SD	24	574.020	Private peace disturbanceMC	6
569.160	Burglary 1st FB	741	574.040	Unlawful assembly MB	0
569.170	Burglary 2nd FC	2,973	574.050	Rioting MA	0
569.180	Possession of burglar's tools FD	15	574.060	Refusal to disperse MC	1
570.030	Stealing FC/MA	4,910	574.070	Promoting civil disorder 1st FC	0
570.033	Stealing animals	15	574.075	Drunkenness or drinking in prohibited places	2
570.040	Stealing 3rd Offense FC	144	574.085	Burial descretion	4
570.080	Receiving stolen property MA/FC	859	574.085	Institutional vandalism	0
570.085	Alteration or removal of item numbers FD/MB	4	574.090	Ethnic intimidation FD	3
570.090	Forgery FC	1,986	574.093	Ethnic intimidation SD	3
570.100	Possession of a forgery instrumentality FC	3	574.105	Money laundering	0
570.103	Counterfeiting 1000 or more	1	575.020	Concealing an offense MA	0
570.110	Issuing a false instrument or certificate MA	0	575.030	Hindering prosecution	54
570.120	Passing bad check MA/FD	4,435	575.040	Perjury FA/B/C/D	8
570.125	Fraudulent stop payment on an instrument MA	20	575.050	False affidavit MA/C	0
570.130	Fraudulent use of a credit device MA/FD	218	575.060	False declarations MB	21
570.140	Deceptive business practice MA	0	575.080	False reports MB	80
570.150	Commercial bribery MA	0	575.090	False bomb report D-fel	24
570.155	Sports bribery FEL/MIS	0	575.100	Tampering with physical evidence	14
570.160	False advertising MA	0	575.110	Tampering with public records	1
570.170	Bait advertising MA	0	575.120	False impersonation	12
570.180	Defrauding secured creditors MA/FD	20	575.130	Simulating legal process	0
570.190	Telephone service fraud MA	2	575.150	Resis.Interf. w/Arr. FD/MA	459
570.210	Library theft FC/MC	2	575.160	Interf. w/Legal Process MB	1
570.217	Misapplication of funds of financial institution	1	575.195	Escape from commitment FD	14
570.219	False entries in records of a financial institution	0	575.200	Escape/attempt escape from custody MA FA/	54
570.220	Check kiting FC	1	575.210	Escape/attempt escape from confinement FA/	45
570.300	Theft of cable television service FA/MC	2	575.220	Failure to return to confinement MA/FC	15
571.015	Armed criminal action	42	575.230	Aiding escape of a prisoner FB/D MA	5
571.020	Possess/transport/sale of certain weapons FC	79	575.240	Permitting escape	0
571.030	Unlawful use of weapons FD/MB	1,251	575.250	Disturbing judicial proceeding	0
571.045	Defacing firearm MA	0	575.260	Tampering with judicial process	1
571.050	Possession of a defaced firearm MB	3	575.270	Tampering with a witness FC/MA	74
571.060	Unlawful transfer of weapons FD/MA	0	575.280	Official acceding to corruption	0
571.070	Possession of a concealable firearm FC	10	575.290	Improper communication	1
571.080	Transfer of concealable firearms w/out permit	5	575.300	Juror misconduct	0
571.090	Permit to acquire concealable weapons MA	0	575.310	Misconduct in selecting or summoning juror	0
571.150	Use or possession of metal-penetrating bullet	0	575.320	Misconduct in administration of justice	0
572.020	Gambling MB	4	576.010	Bribery of a public servant FD	2
572.030	Promoting gambling FD	0	576.020	Public servant acceding to corruption FD	1
572.040	Promoting gambling 2nd MA	0	576.030	Obstructing government operations MB	4
572.050	Possession of gambling records 1st FD	0	576.040	Official misconduct MA	0
572.060	Possession of gambling records 2nd MA	0	576.050	Misuse of official information MA	1
572.070	Possession of a gambling deviceMA	0	576.060	Failure to give a tax list	0
572.080	Lottery offenses	0	576.070	Treason FA	0
573.020	Promoting obscenity 1st FD	0	577.005	Vehicular manslaughter	1
573.025	Promoting child pornography 1st FB	7	577.010	Driving while intoxicated MA/B FD	3,796
573.030	Promoting obscenity 2nd MA	0	577.012	Driving w/excessive blood alcohol content MA	28
573.035	Promoting child pornography 2nd FD	3	577.017	Consuming alcoholic beverages in moving MV	8
573.037	Possession of child pornography	3	577.023	Driving while intoxicated Second MA, Third FD	90
573.040	Furnishing pornographic material to a minor M	1	577.017	Consuming alcoholic beverages in moving MV	8
573.060	Public display of explicit sexual material MA	0	577.023	Driving while intoxicated Second MA, Third FD	90

FY2000 TRIAL DIVISION ASSIGNED CASES BY CHARGE CODE		
Charge Code	Description	FY00 Cases
577.051	Failure to furnish M.U.L.E. records MC	2
577.060	Leaving scene of motor vehicle accident MA/FD	336
577.070	Littering MA	28
577.073	Littering in state parks	2
577.076	Littering with carcasses	0
577.080	Abandoning motor vehicle MA	5
577.100	Abandonment of airtight containers	0
577.110	Operating MV while under 16 years of age	1
577.150	Corrupting or diverting water supply	0
577.155	Prohibition of waste disposal wells	0
577.161	Can't prohibit disabled lifeJackets in pool	0
577.600	Failure to use ordered ignition interlock device	3
578.009	Animal neglect MA	11
578.012	Animal abuse	40
578.025	Dog fighting MA/FD	5
578.027	Dog baiting MA	0
578.050	Bullbaiting and cockfighting MA	0
578.150	Failure to return rented personal property MA/FD	277
578.250	Inhaling/ inducing others to inhale fumes MB	22
578.255	Induce or possess w/intent to induce intoxication	6
578.260	Possess/purchase solvents to aid others MB	0
578.265	Sell/transfer solvents to induce symptoms FC	0
578.365	Hazing	0
578.377	Unlawful receipt of food stamps MA/FD	2
578.379	Unlawful conversion of food stamps MA/FD	0
578.381	Unlawful transfer of food stamps MA/FD	0
578.395	Ticket scalping	4
578.423	Knowingly participating in street gang activity MA	0
578.425	Promoting or assisting gang conduct MA	0
578.433	Maintaining public nuisance	0
578.445	Possession of tools to break into vending machine	0
589.414	Failure to register as a sex offender	16
602.300	Unlawfully possessing a tobacco product	0
632.480	Sexually violent predator	3
701.057	Construction of on-site sewage disposal system	0
999.999	Witness Only	0

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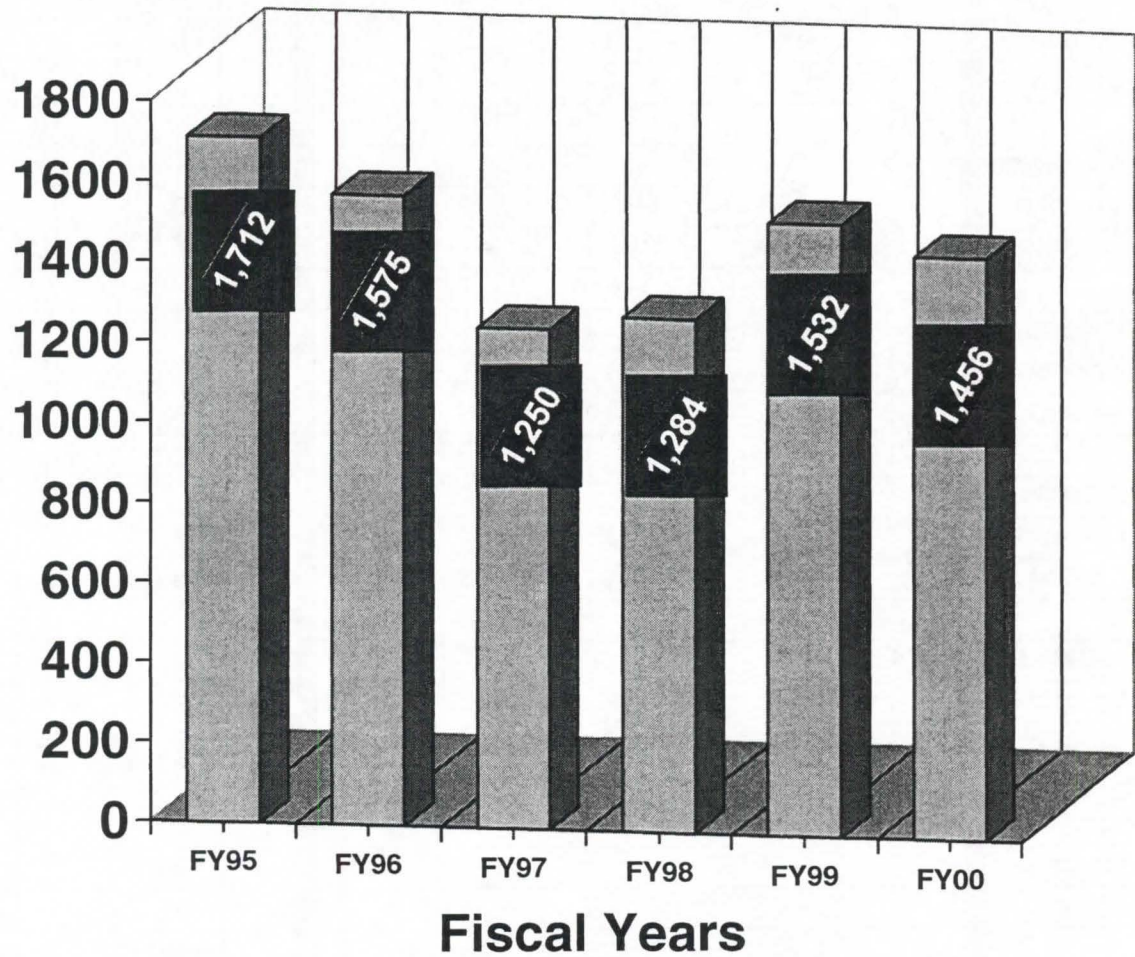
**FY2000 CONFLICT ASSIGNMENTS
by Case Type**

	Description	# of Cases Assigned
10	Murder – Death Penalty	8
15	Murder – 1 st Degree	5
20	Other Homicide	4
30	A-B Felony	109
35	C-D Felony	202
40	Misdemeanor	81
52	Juvenile – Criminal	20
54	Post Conviction Relief – Rule 24	3
59	Post Conviction Relief – Rule 29	15
60	Chapter 552	0
65	Probation Violation	25
80	Appeal	5
82	Direct Appeal	0
	Total Conflict Assignments	477

FY2000 APPELLATE DIVISION CASELOAD
Cases Opened and Closed

	Central Columbia		Eastern St. Louis		Western Kansas City		Totals
	Area 50	Area 67	Area 51	Area 68	Area 52	Area 69	
Death PCR							
Opened	5	1	3	1	5		15
Closed	0	0	0	2	6		8
Felony Appeals							
Opened	206	0	54	34	40	42	376
Closed	210	0	47	40	37	48	382
PCR Appeals							
Opened	85	34	71	67	40	45	342
Closed	86	17	58	69	34	29	293
PCR Trials							
Opened		291	134	103	97	98	723
Closed		204	113	107	86	57	567
Appellate Division Totals							
Opened	296	326	262	205	182	185	1456
Closed	296	221	218	218	163	134	1250
Totals							
Opened	622		467		367		1456
Closed	517		436		297		1250
	Central Columbia		Eastern St. Louis		Western Kansas City		

Number of Appellate Division Cases

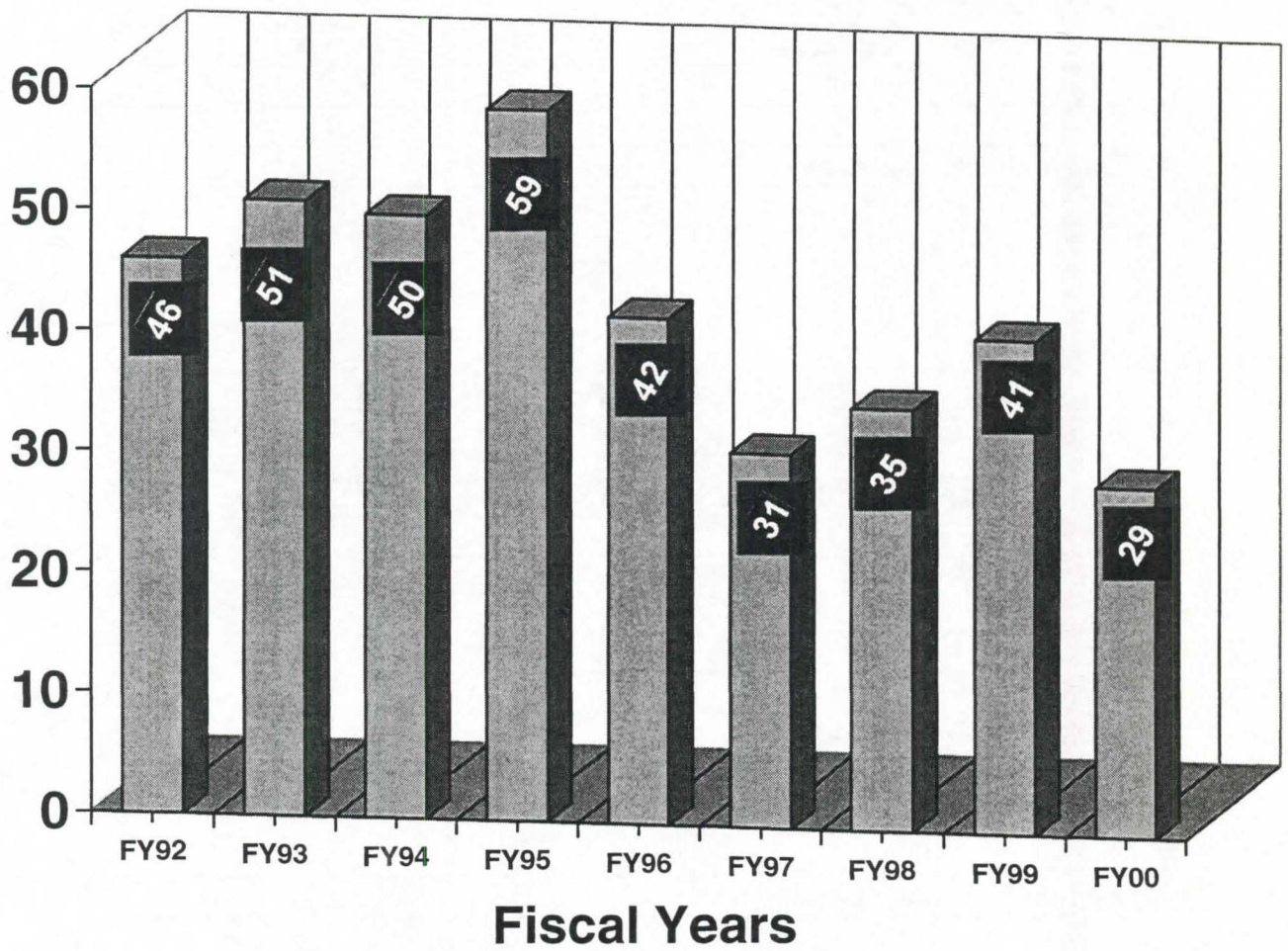


FY2000 CAPITAL DIVISION Cases Opened and Closed DEATH PENALTY CASELOAD			
	Opened	Closed	Current Caseload
Central Office – Columbia	5	12	11
Eastern Office – St. Louis City	18	11	20
Western Office – Kansas City	6	2	10
Total Death Penalty Cases	19	25	41

FY2000 CAPITAL DIVISION Cases Opened and Closed DEATH PENALTY – DIRECT APPEALS			
	Opened	Closed	Current Caseload
Central Office – Columbia	2	0	4
Eastern Office – St. Louis City	2	2	4
Western Office – Kansas City	1	0	1
Total Death Penalty Cases	5	2	9

The Direct Appeals of Death Penalty Cases was transferred to the Capital Division in October of 1997. In addition to the Direct Appeals, the staff assigned to direct appeals of death penalty cases assist the Capital Division Trial staff in trial preparation.

Number of Death Penalty Cases



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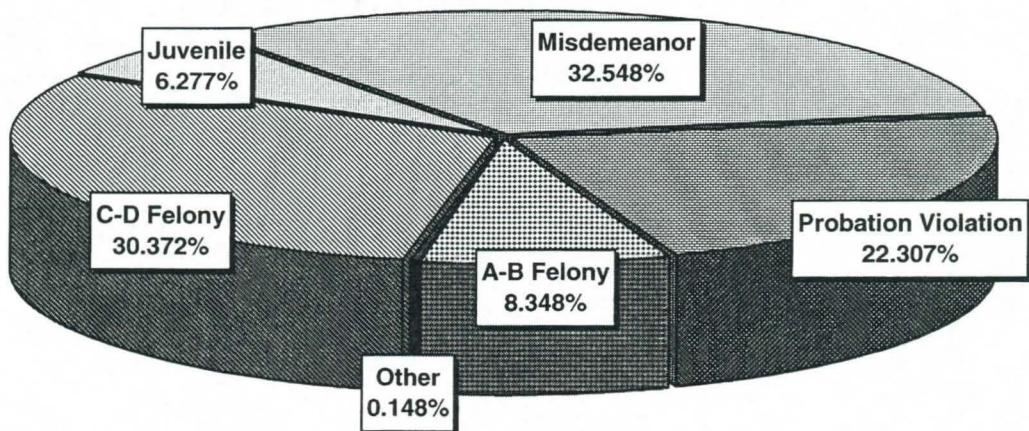
The State Public Defender System's Trial Division closed 68,314 cases in Fiscal Year 2000. This is more than double the number of closed cases since 1984 when the State Public Defender System closed 31,730 cases.

FY2000 Trial Division Closed Cases by Case Type		
	Description	# of Cases Represented
10	Murder – Death Penalty	4
15	Murder – 1 st Degree	119
20	Other Homicide	90
30	A-B Felony	5,490
35	C-D Felony	20,748
40	Misdemeanor	16,687
45	Misdemeanor – Traffic	5,548
50	Juvenile – Status	810
52	Juvenile – Criminal	3,478
54	Post Conviction Relief – Rule 24	4
59	Post Conviction Relief – Rule 29	5
60	Chapter 552	66
61	Sexual Predator Hearings & Trials	4
65	Probation Violation	15,239
75	Writ	15
80	Appeal	4
82	Direct Appeal	3
	Total Trial Division Closed Cases	68,314

TRIAL DIVISION CASE DISPOSITIONS
FISCAL YEAR COMPARISONS - FY96 to FY2000
BY DISTRICT

District #	District Name	FY96 Cases Disposed	FY97 Cases Disposed	# Change 96 to 97	% Change 96 to 97	FY98 Cases Disposed	# Change 97 to 98	% Change 97 to 98	FY99 Cases Disposed	# Change 98 to 99	% Change 98 to 99	FY2000 Cases Disposed	# Change 99 to 00	% Change 99 to 00	# Change 96 to 2000	% Change 96 to 2000
1	St. Louis Juvenile	0	1,880	1,880	*	1,445	(435)	-23.14%	1,412	(33)	-2.28%	1,619	207	14.66%	1,619	*
2	Kirksville	380	416	36	9.47%	351	(65)	-15.63%	429	78	22.22%	429	0	0.00%	49	12.89%
4	Maryville	496	529	33	6.65%	586	57	10.78%	583	(3)	-0.51%	370	(213)	-36.54%	(126)	-25.40%
5	St. Joseph	2,055	1,625	(430)	-20.92%	1,903	278	17.11%	2,076	173	9.09%	2,102	26	1.25%	47	2.29%
7	Liberty	2,081	2,065	(16)	-0.77%	2,634	569	27.55%	3,023	389	14.77%	3,026	3	0.10%	945	45.41%
10	Hannibal	812	854	42	5.17%	1,156	302	35.36%	1,019	(137)	-11.85%	1,032	13	1.28%	220	27.09%
11	St. Charles	1,581	1,869	288	18.22%	2,033	164	8.77%	1,913	(120)	-5.90%	1,669	(244)	-12.75%	88	5.57%
12	Fulton	1,406	1,679	273	19.42%	1,703	24	1.43%	1,586	(117)	-6.87%	1,540	(46)	-2.90%	134	9.53%
13	Columbia	2,964	1,874	(1,090)	-36.77%	3,187	1,313	70.06%	4,041	854	26.80%	3,642	(399)	-9.87%	678	22.87%
14	Moberly	957	653	(304)	-31.77%	1,015	362	55.44%	1,212	197	19.41%	1,183	(29)	-2.39%	226	23.62%
15	Sedalia	1,714	1,753	39	2.28%	1,696	(57)	-3.25%	1,702	6	0.35%	1,510	(192)	-11.28%	(204)	-11.90%
16	Kansas City	8,611	9,054	443	5.14%	8,572	(482)	-5.32%	8,604	32	0.37%	8,529	(75)	-0.87%	(82)	-0.95%
17	Harrisonville	1,652	2,034	382	23.12%	2,600	566	27.83%	2,907	307	11.81%	2,265	(642)	-22.08%	613	37.11%
19	Jefferson City	1,097	797	(300)	-27.35%	1,163	366	45.92%	1,378	215	18.49%	1,097	(281)	-20.39%	0	0.00%
20	Union	977	1,355	378	38.69%	1,241	(114)	-8.41%	1,447	206	16.60%	1,414	(33)	-2.28%	437	44.73%
21	St. Louis County	6,753	4,680	(2,073)	-30.70%	4,054	(626)	-13.38%	4,651	597	14.73%	3,289	(1,362)	-29.28%	(3,464)	-51.30%
22	St. Louis City	10,587	8,572	(2,015)	-19.03%	8,322	(250)	-2.92%	7,777	(545)	-6.55%	6,979	(798)	-10.26%	(3,608)	-34.08%
23	Hillsboro	1,284	1,404	120	9.35%	1,241	(163)	-11.61%	1,214	(27)	-2.18%	1,242	28	2.31%	(42)	-3.27%
24	Farmington	1,356	1,657	301	22.20%	1,533	(124)	-7.48%	1,663	130	8.48%	1,969	306	18.40%	613	45.21%
25	Rolla	2,121	2,040	(81)	-3.82%	1,984	(56)	-2.75%	2,116	132	6.65%	2,155	39	1.84%	34	1.60%
26	Lebanon	1,378	1,470	92	6.68%	1,755	285	19.39%	1,625	(130)	-7.41%	1,878	253	15.57%	500	36.28%
28	Nevada	724	805	81	11.19%	960	155	19.25%	979	19	1.98%	1,005	26	2.66%	281	38.81%
29	Carthage	3,495	3,214	(281)	-8.04%	3,540	326	10.14%	3,391	(149)	-4.21%	3,201	(190)	-5.60%	(294)	-8.41%
30	Buffalo	836	971	135	16.15%	1,189	218	22.45%	1,088	(101)	-8.49%	916	(172)	-15.81%	80	9.57%
31	Springfield	2,194	2,585	391	17.82%	2,447	(138)	-5.34%	2,510	63	2.57%	2,334	(176)	-7.01%	140	6.38%
32	Cape Girardeau	2,223	1,757	(466)	-20.96%	2,544	787	44.79%	2,335	(209)	-8.22%	2,104	(231)	-9.89%	(119)	-5.35%
34	Caruthersville	1,038	521	(517)	-49.81%	1,275	754	144.72%	994	(281)	-22.04%	910	(84)	-8.45%	(128)	-12.33%
35	Kennett	1,204	1,333	129	10.71%	1,542	209	15.68%	1,461	(81)	-5.25%	1,591	130	8.90%	387	32.14%
36	Poplar Bluff	872	1,040	168	19.27%	2,625	1,585	152.40%	1,492	(1,133)	-43.16%	1,240	(252)	-16.89%	368	42.20%
37	West Plains	584	534	(50)	-8.56%	663	129	24.16%	644	(19)	-2.87%	812	168	26.09%	228	39.04%
39	Monett	1,595	1,623	28	1.76%	1,724	101	6.22%	1,939	215	12.47%	1,765	(174)	-8.97%	170	10.66%
43	Chillicothe	1,389	1,705	316	22.75%	1,784	79	4.63%	1,767	(17)	-0.95%	1,697	(70)	-3.96%	308	22.17%
44	Ava	443	541	98	22.12%	547	6	1.11%	546	(1)	-0.18%	434	(112)	-20.51%	(9)	-2.03%
45	Troy	512	658	146	28.52%	667	9	1.37%	835	168	25.19%	783	(52)	-6.23%	271	52.93%
47	Springfield Conflicts	688	291	(397)	-57.70%	498	207	71.13%	0						(688)	-100.00%
49	St. Louis City Conflict	863	772	(91)	-10.54%	824	52	6.74%	838	14	1.70%	583	(255)	-30.43%	(280)	-32.44%
Total Trial Division Dispositions		68,922	66,610	(2,312)	-3.35%	73,003	6,393	9.60%	73,197	194	0.27%	68,314	(4,883)	-6.67%	4,275	6.20%
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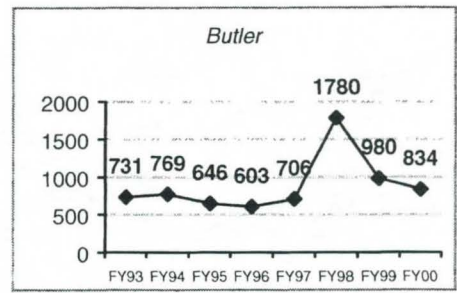
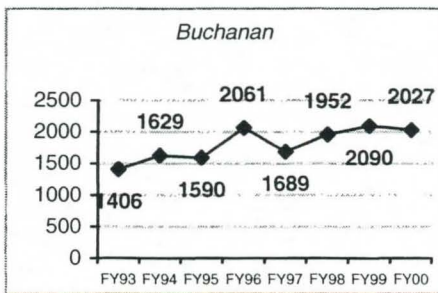
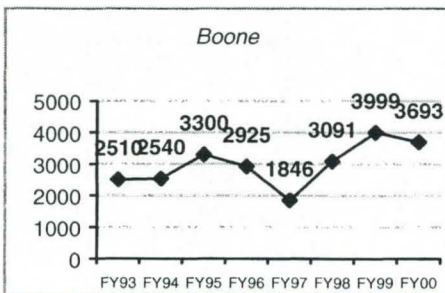
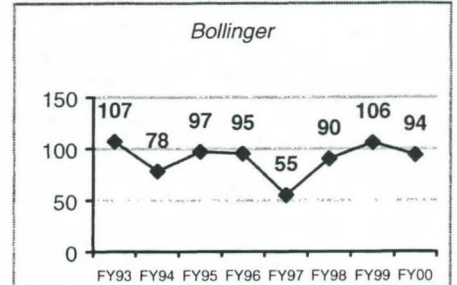
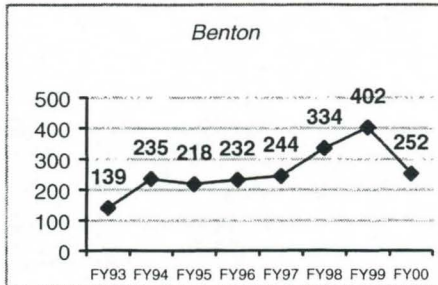
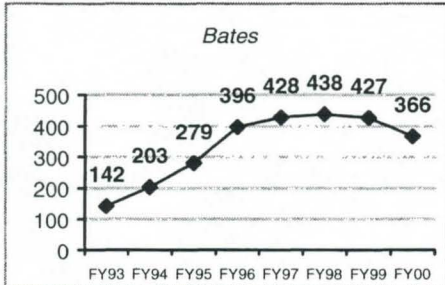
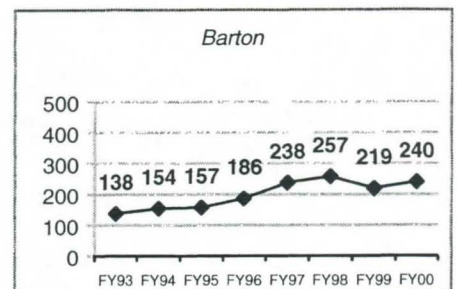
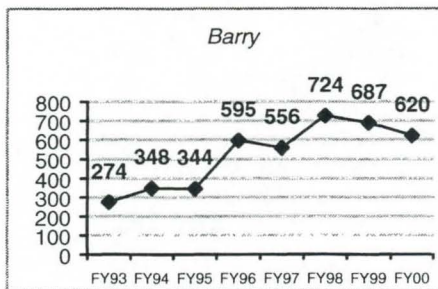
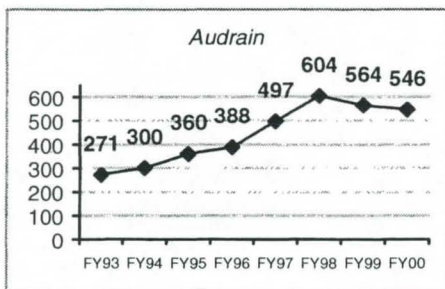
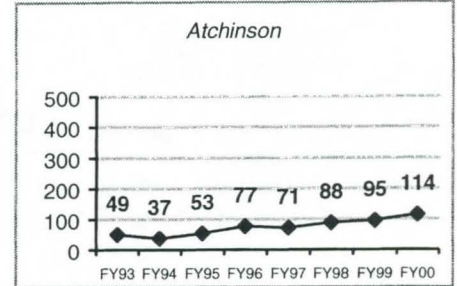
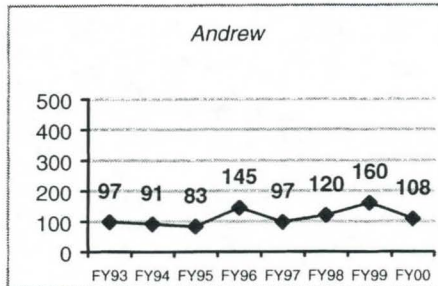
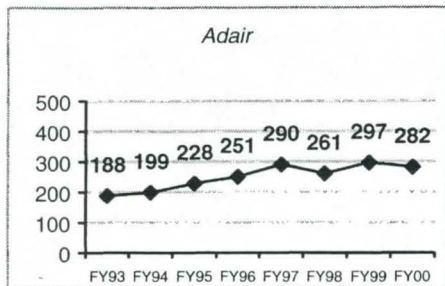


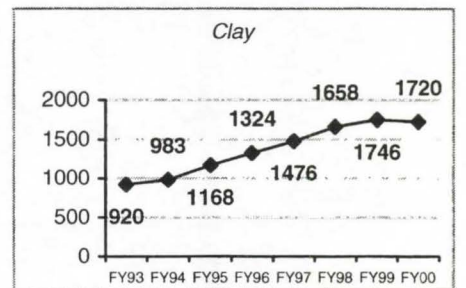
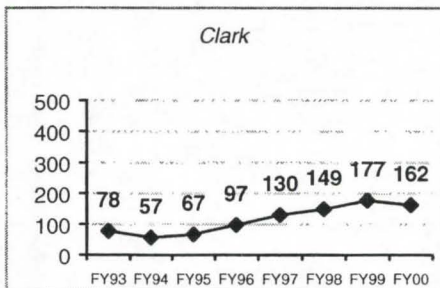
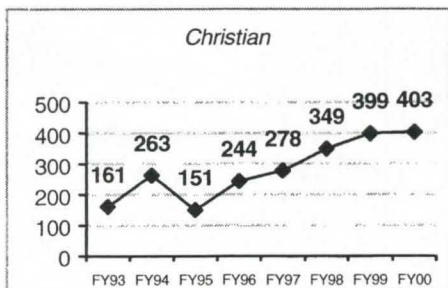
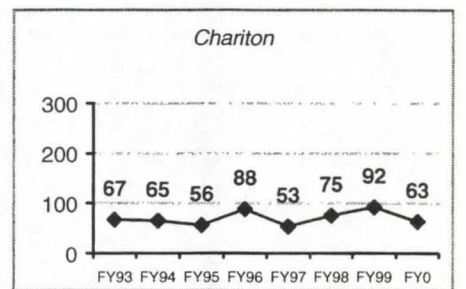
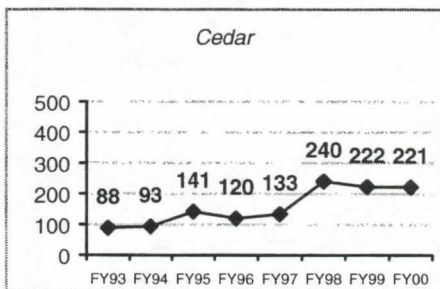
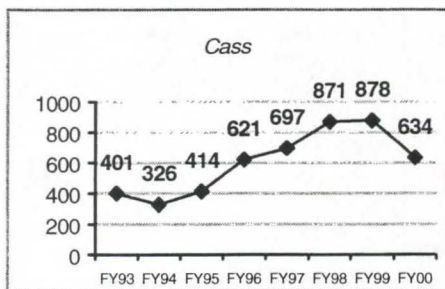
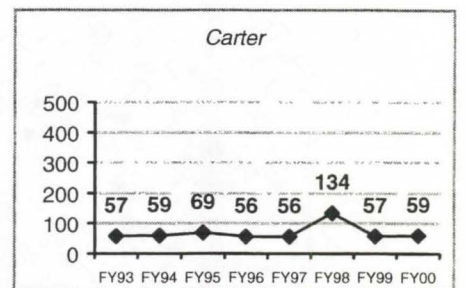
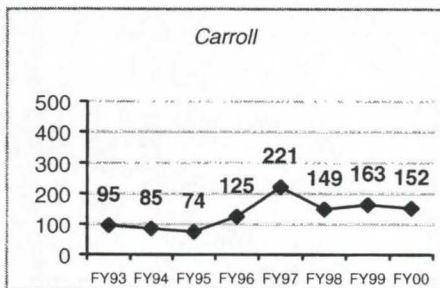
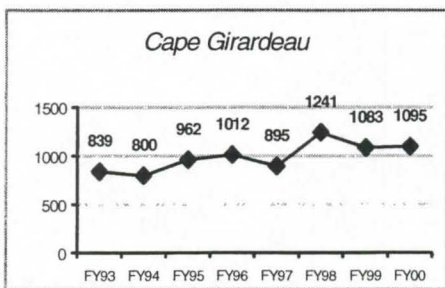
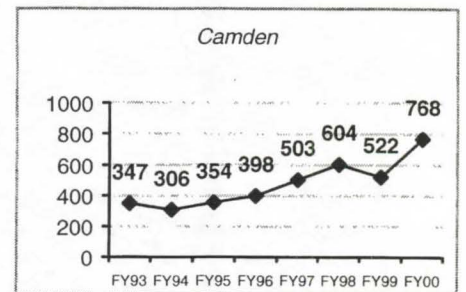
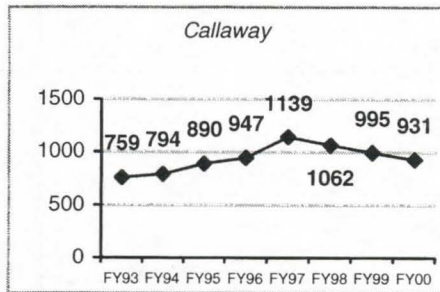
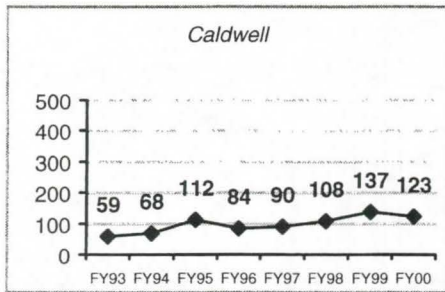
Felony Cases Closed	26,451 or 38.72% of the total caseload
Misdemeanor Cases Closed	22,235 or 32.55% of the total caseload
Probation Violation Cases Closed	15,239 or 22.31% of the total caseload
Juvenile Cases Closed	4,288 or 6.28% of the total caseload

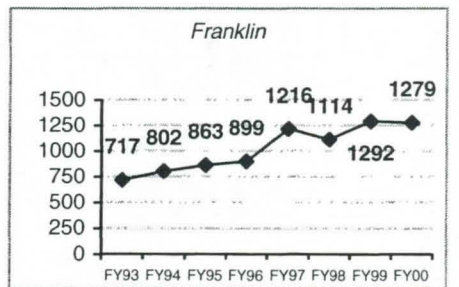
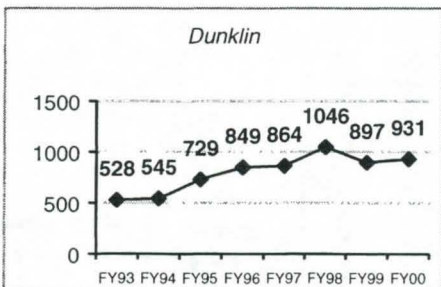
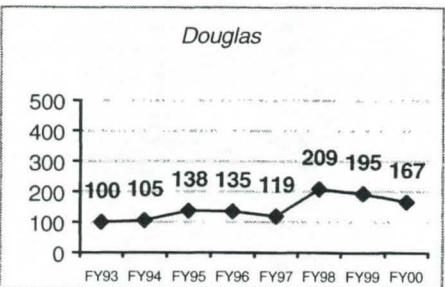
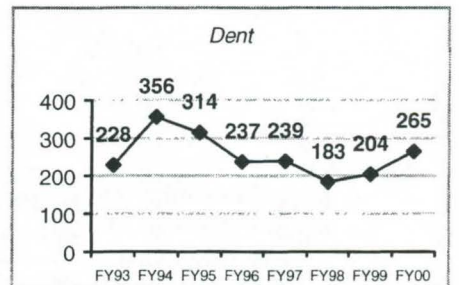
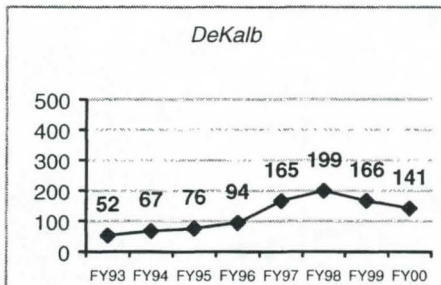
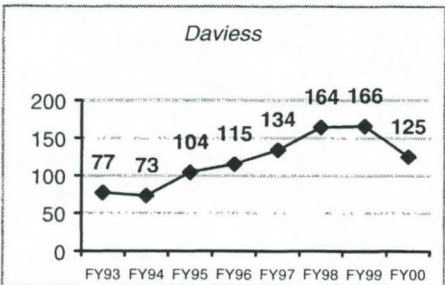
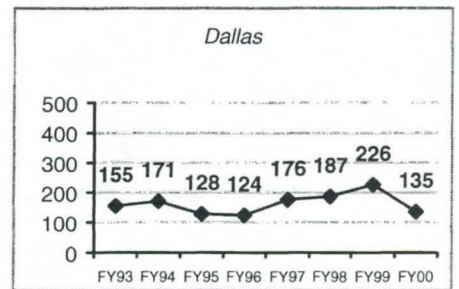
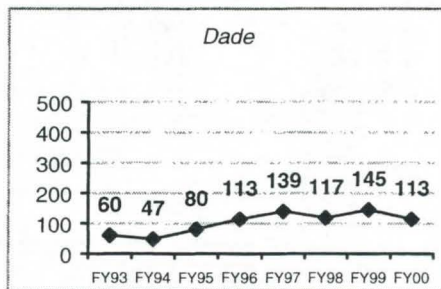
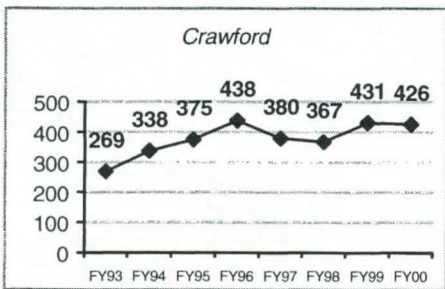
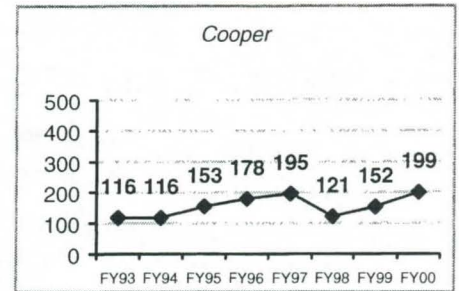
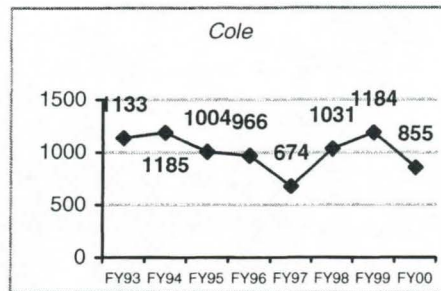
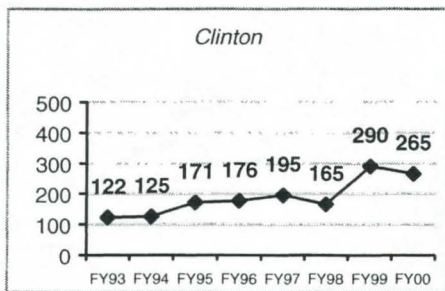
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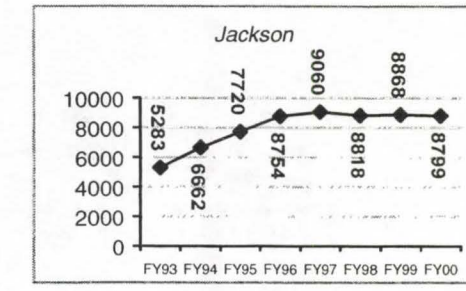
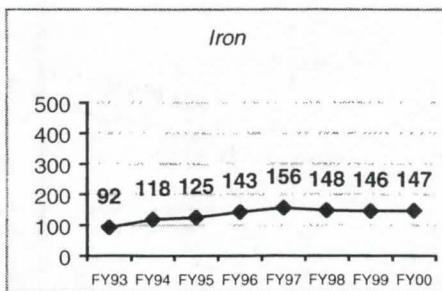
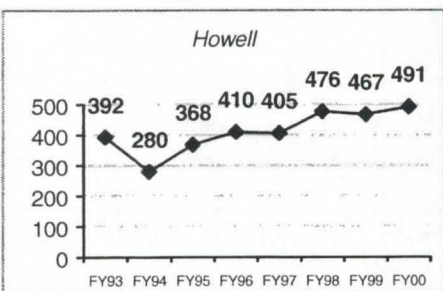
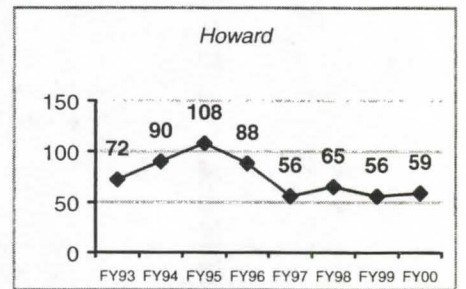
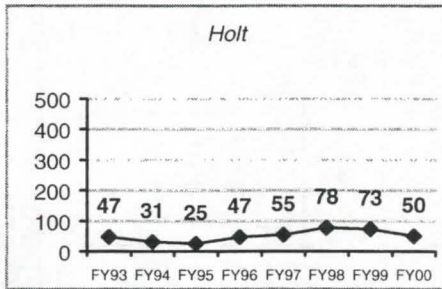
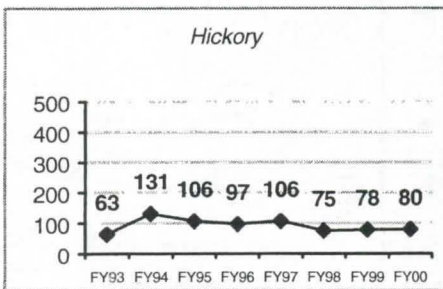
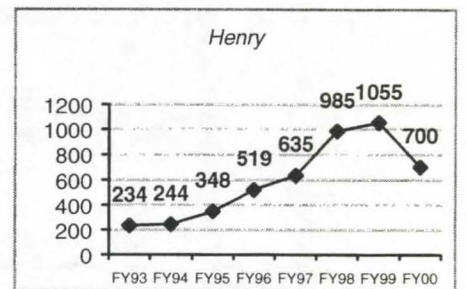
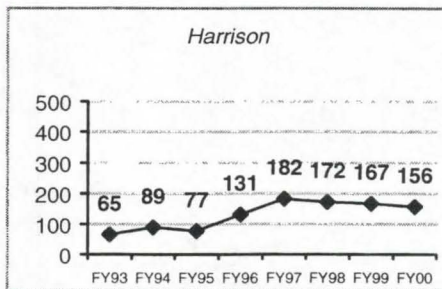
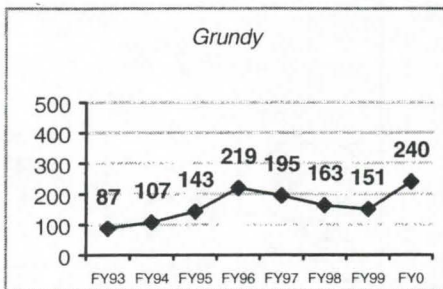
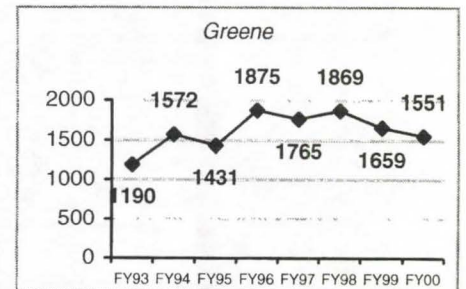
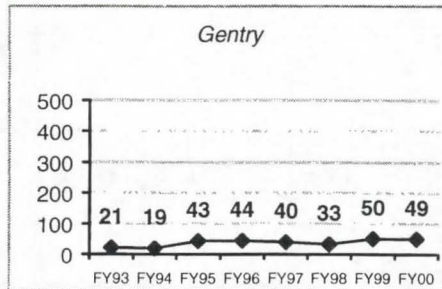
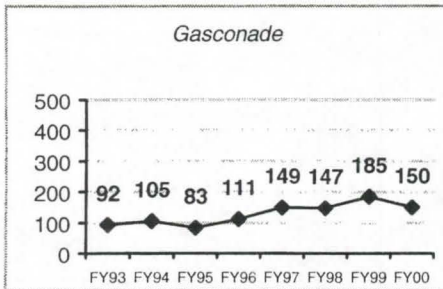
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Atchinson	112	114	DeKalb	125	141	Madison	120	116	Reynolds	61	70
Audrain	574	546	Dent	275	265	Maries	83	71	Ripley	202	202
Barry	689	620	Douglas	148	167	Marion	543	536	Saline	355	349
Barton	237	240	Dunklin	916	931	McDonald	380	382	Schuyler	40	42
Bates	383	366	Franklin	1,324	1,279	Mercer	40	43	Scotland	59	50
Benton	253	252	Gasconade	159	150	Miller	261	267	Scott	550	428
Bollinger	109	94	Gentry	62	49	Mississippi	411	289	Shannon	118	116
Boone	3,704	3,693	Greene	1,824	1,551	Moniteau	81	84	Shelby	131	130
Buchanan	2,060	2,027	Grundy	211	240	Monroe	74	62	Ste. Genevieve	142	125
Butler	818	834	Harrison	157	156	Montgomery	151	104	Stoddard	653	665
Caldwell	152	123	Henry	836	700	Morgan	191	201	Stone	384	357
Callaway	988	931	Hickory	86	80	New Madrid	302	264	St. Charles	1,369	1,383
Camden	764	768	Holt	54	50	Newton	808	415	St. Clair	136	121
Cape Girardeau	1,132	1,095	Howard	60	59	Nodaway	154	160	St. Francois	874	1,041
Carroll	150	152	Howell	474	491	Oregon	110	130	St. Louis City	9,795	8,396
Carter	59	59	Iron	138	147	Osage	87	70	St. Louis Co.	4,887	3,929
Cass	759	634	Jackson	9,433	8,799	Ozark	110	104	Sullivan	69	68
Cedar	238	221	Jasper	2,739	2,509	Pemiscot	644	629	Taney	647	569
Chariton	54	63	Jefferson	1,283	1,288	Perry	237	231	Texas	355	268
Christian	450	403	Johnson	471	408	Pettis	481	465	Vernon	479	482
Clark	156	162	Knox	29	30	Phelps	750	774	Warren	270	262
Clay	1,823	1,720	Laclede	629	591	Pike	261	253	Washington	431	464
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Cole	1,001	855	Lawrence	485	463	Polk	278	288	Webster	216	196
Cooper	212	199	Lewis	90	91	Pulaski	421	396	Worth	29	19
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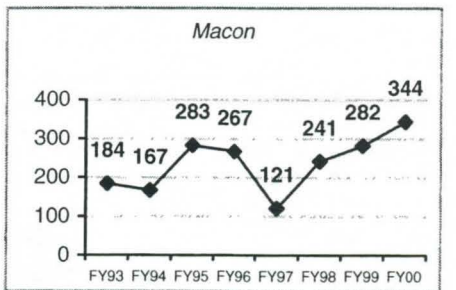
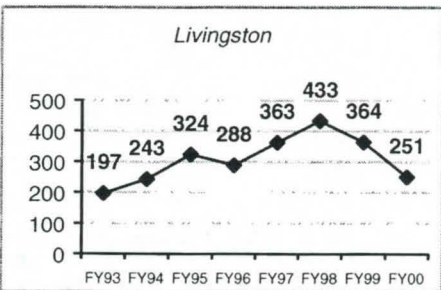
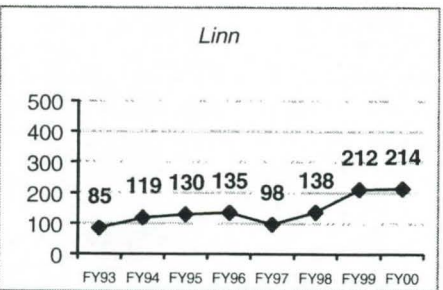
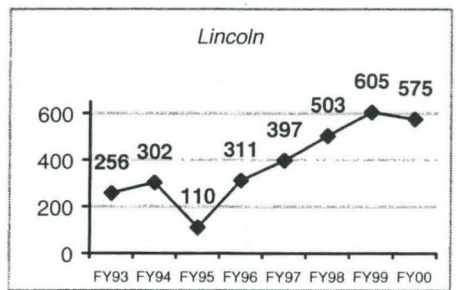
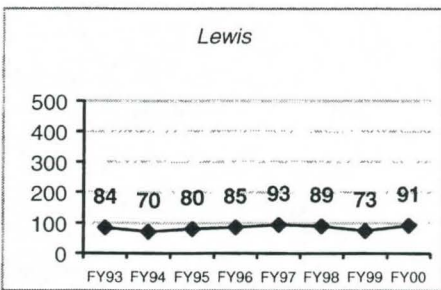
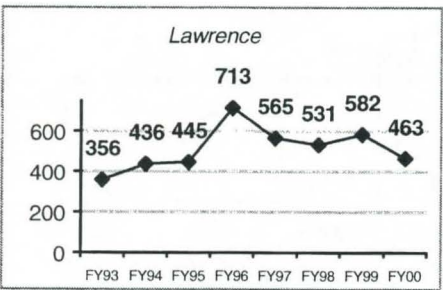
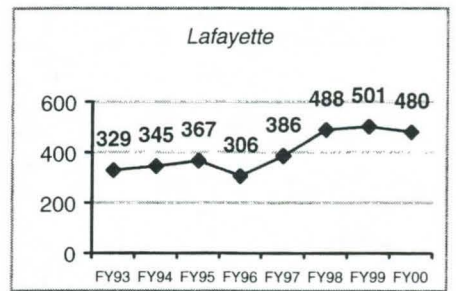
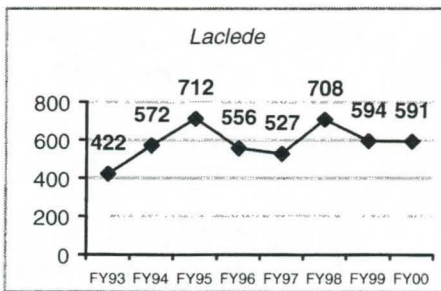
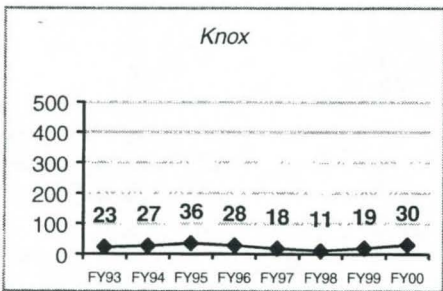
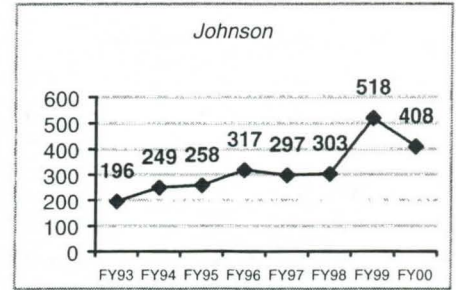
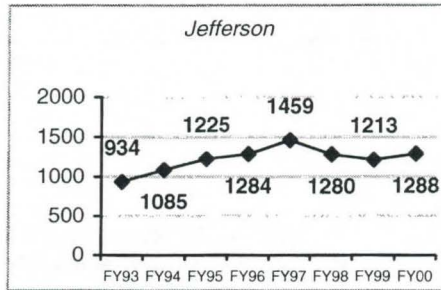
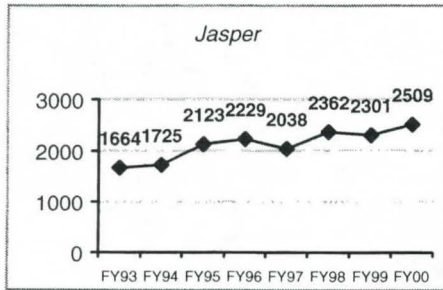
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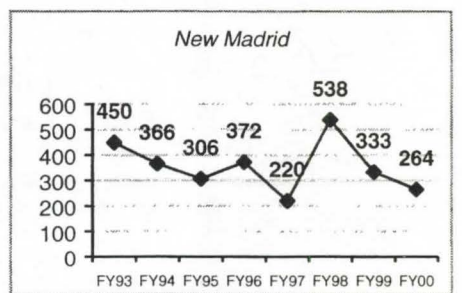
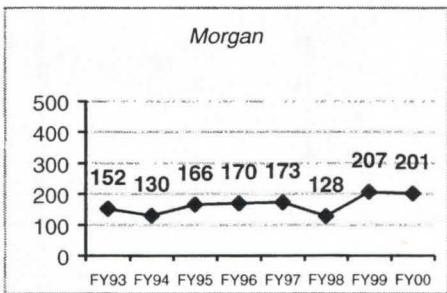
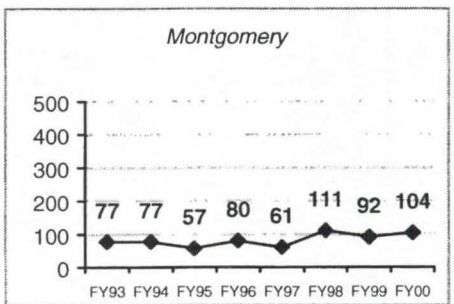
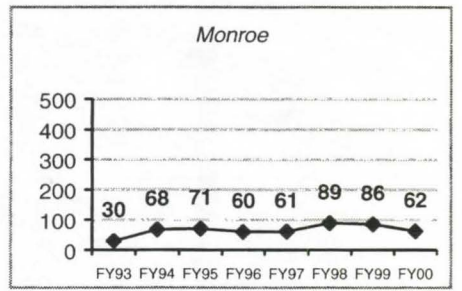
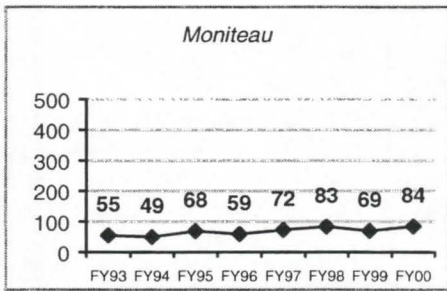
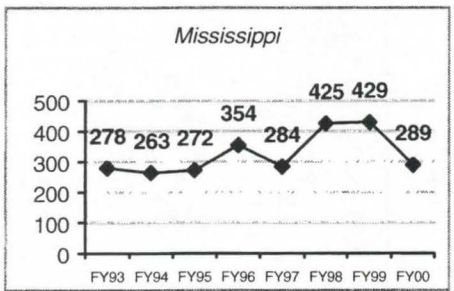
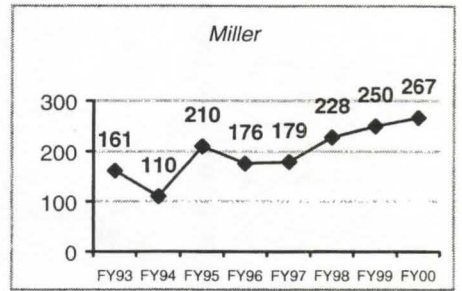
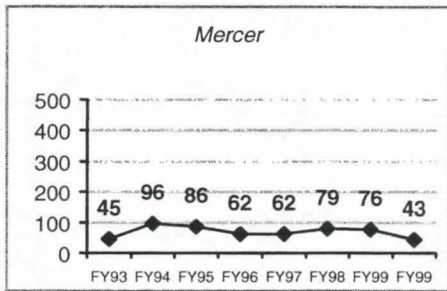
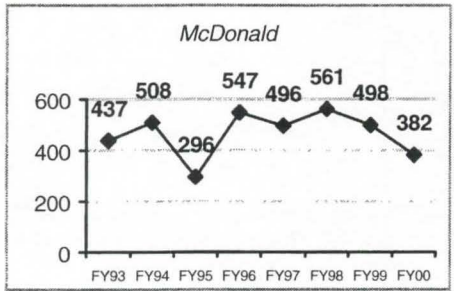
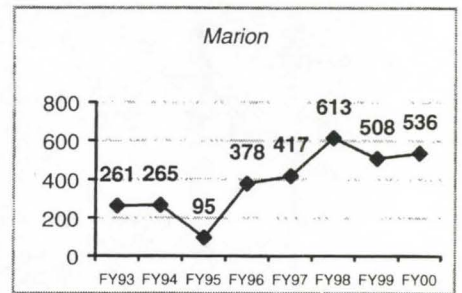
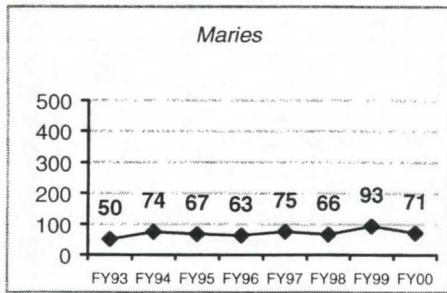
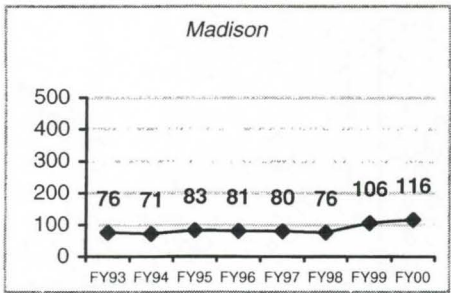


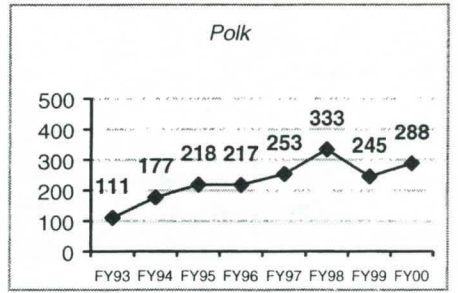
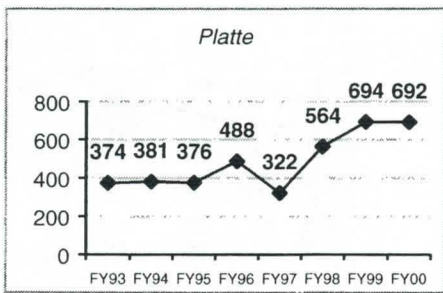
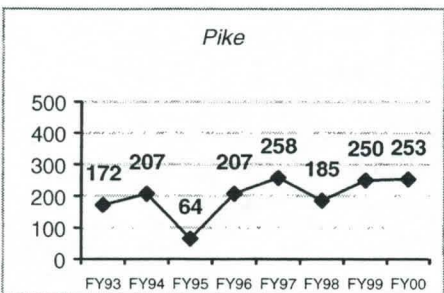
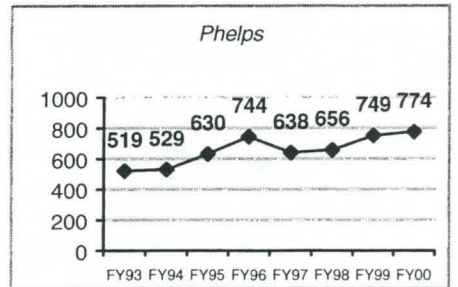
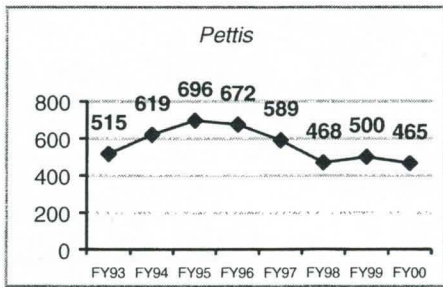
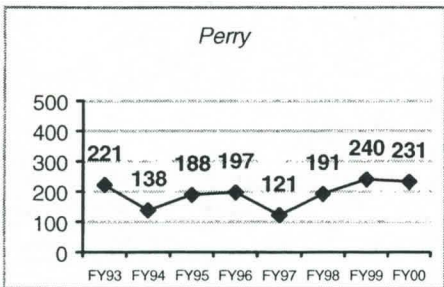
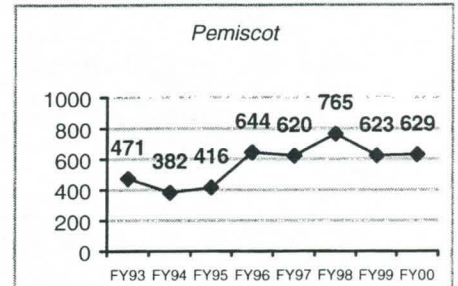
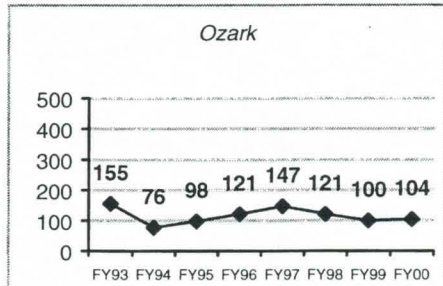
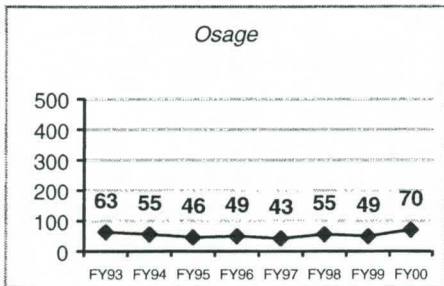
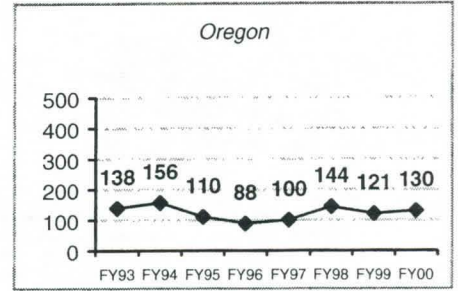
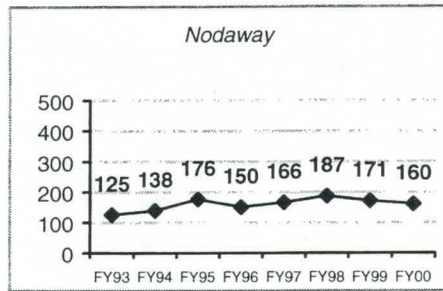
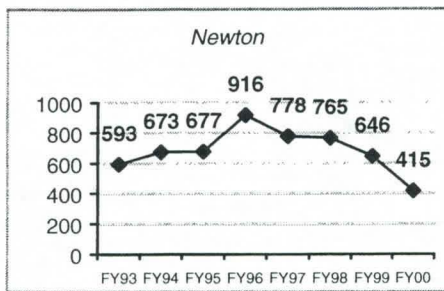


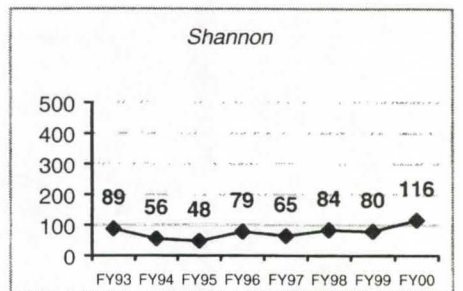
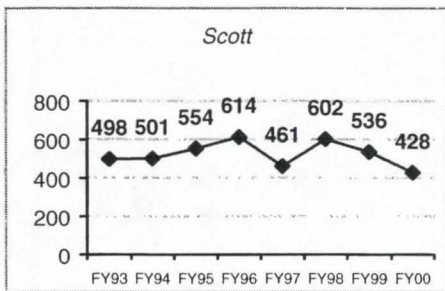
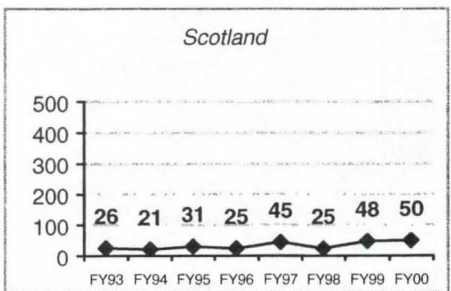
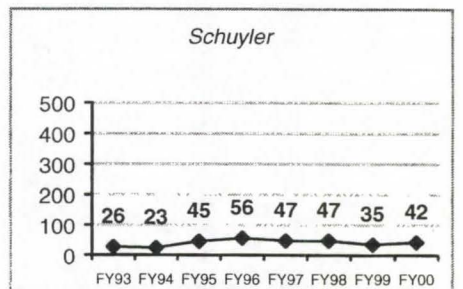
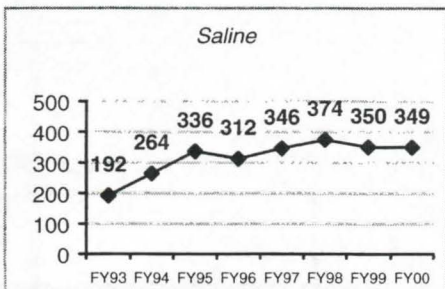
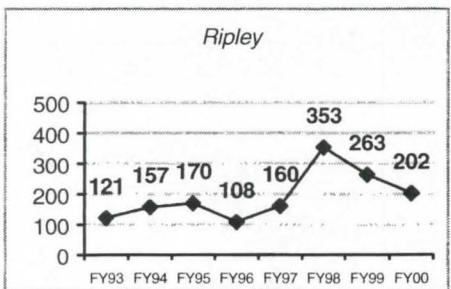
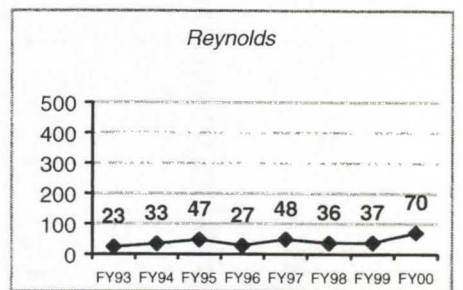
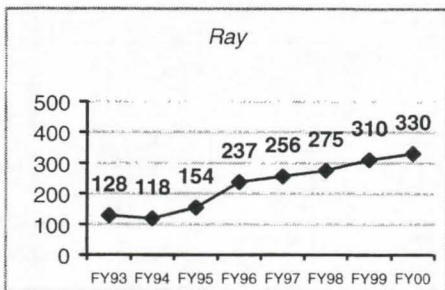
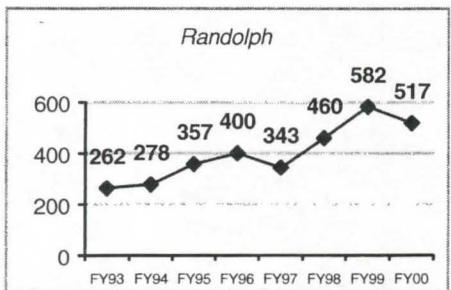
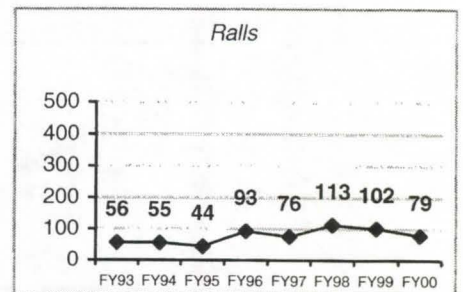
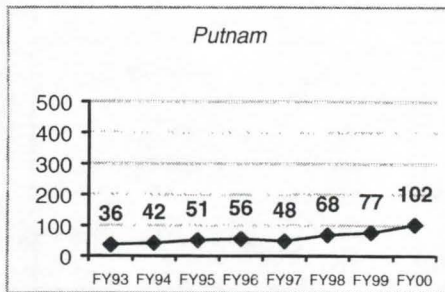
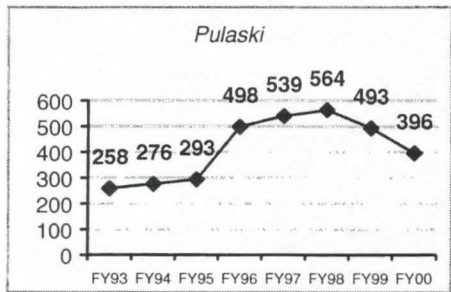


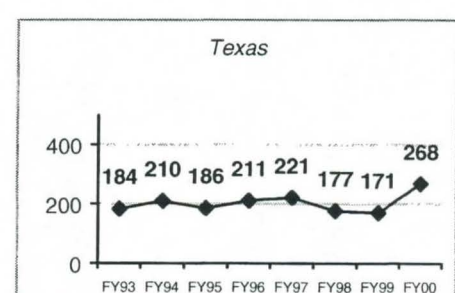
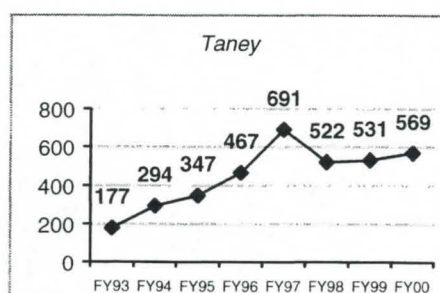
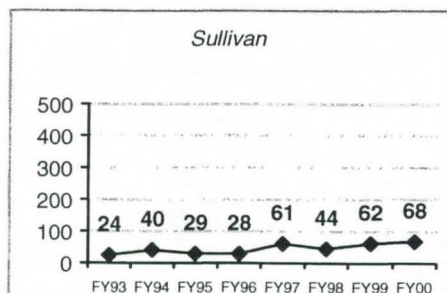
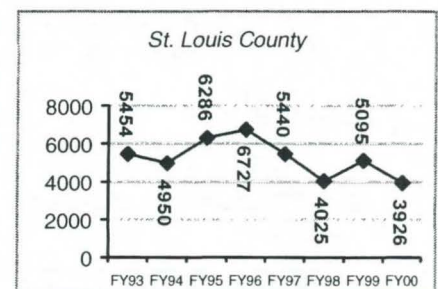
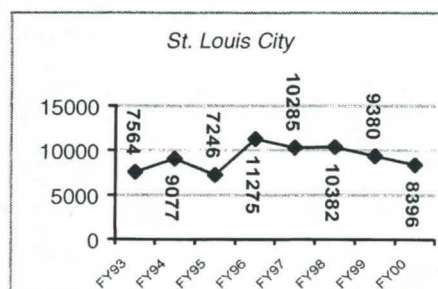
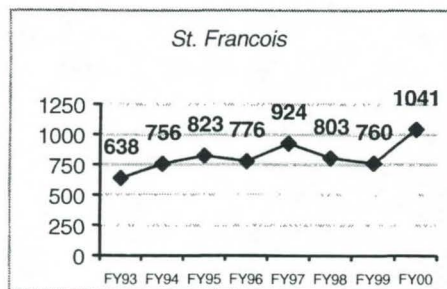
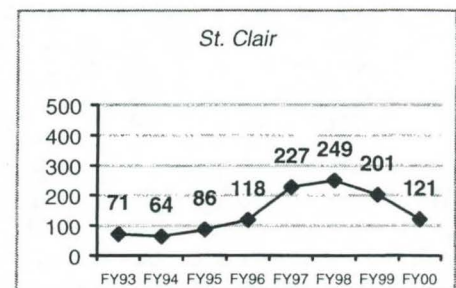
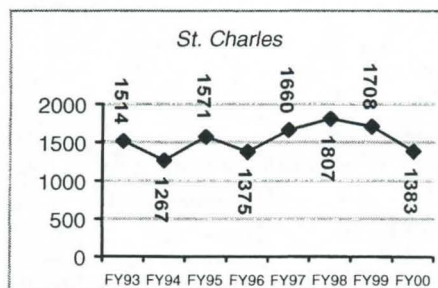
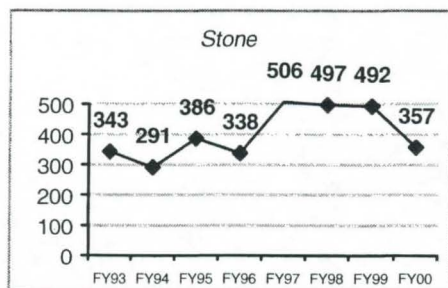
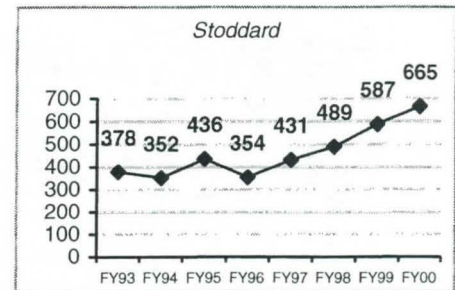
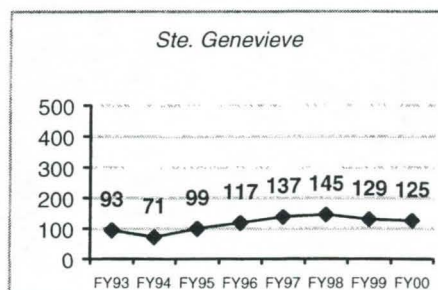
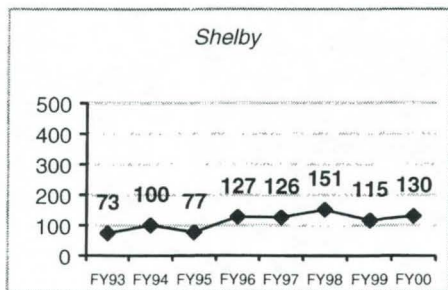


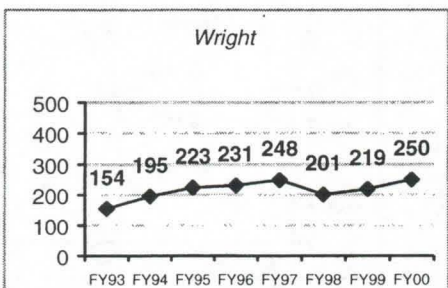
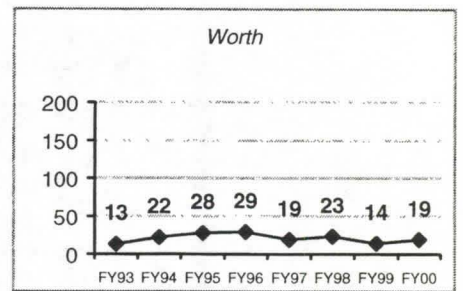
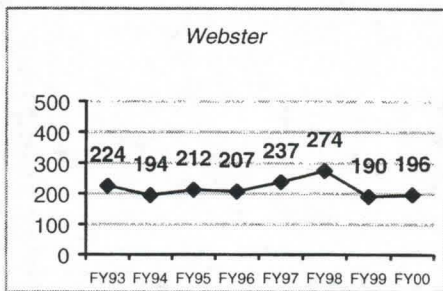
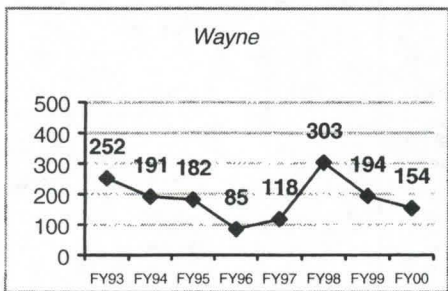
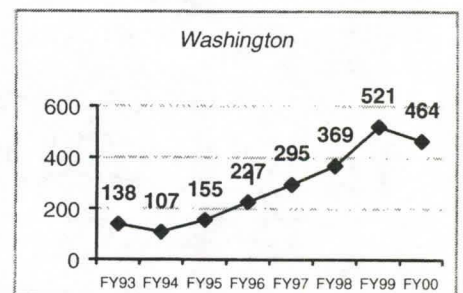
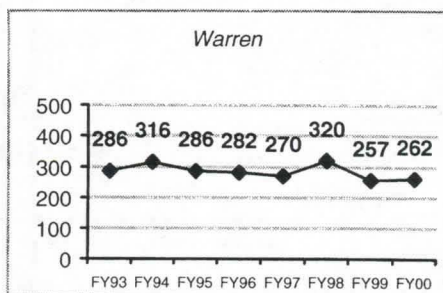
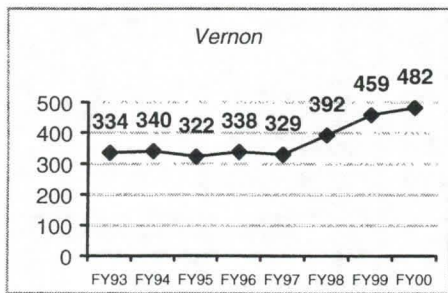




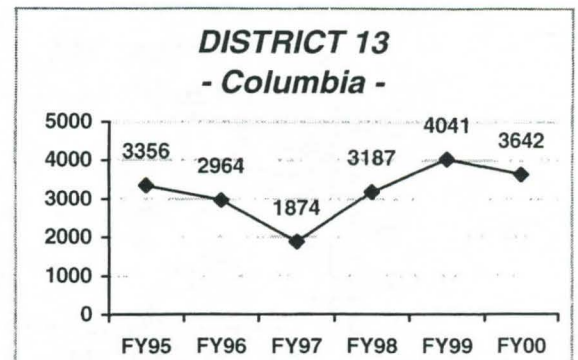
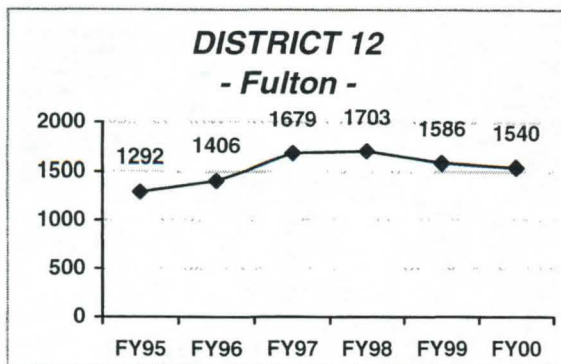
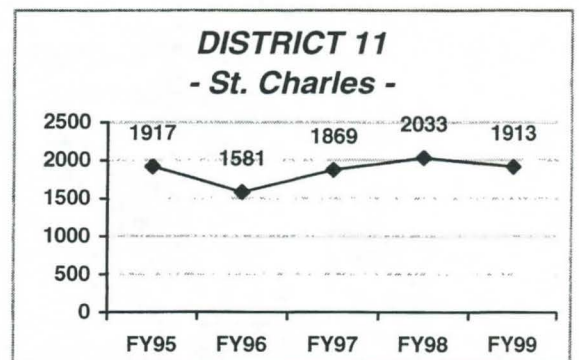
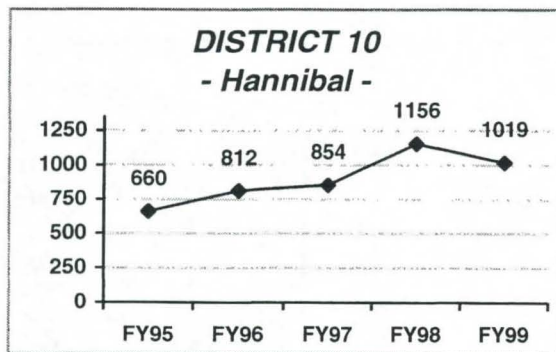
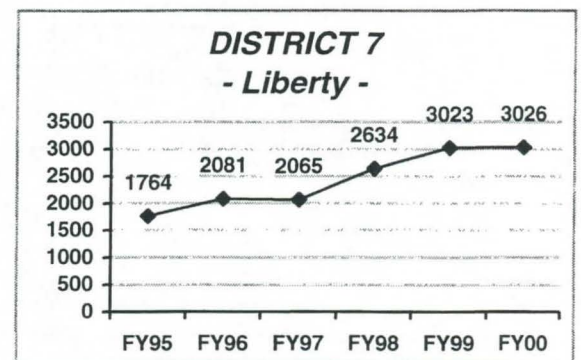
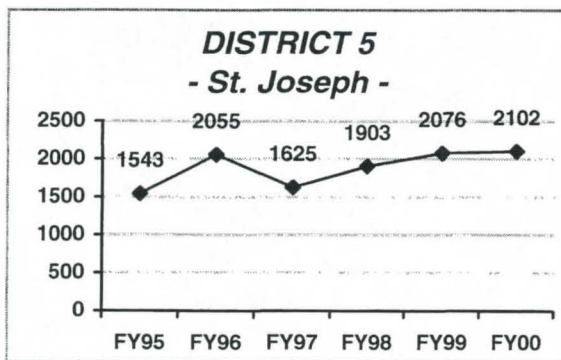
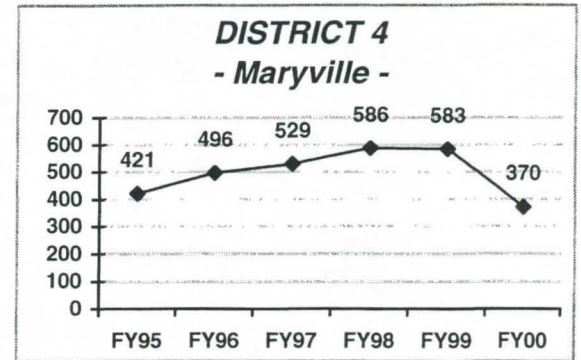
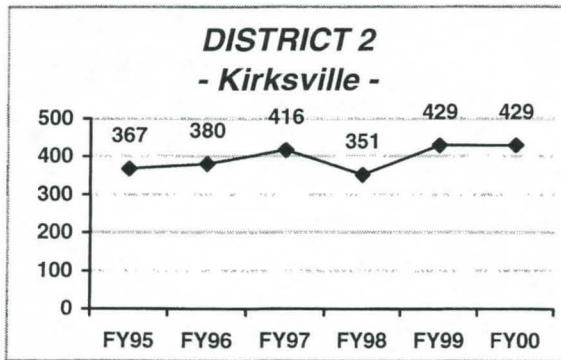


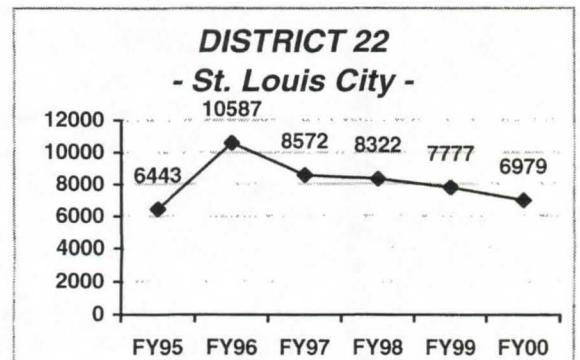
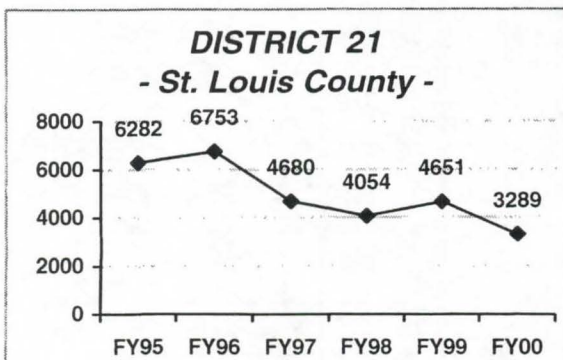
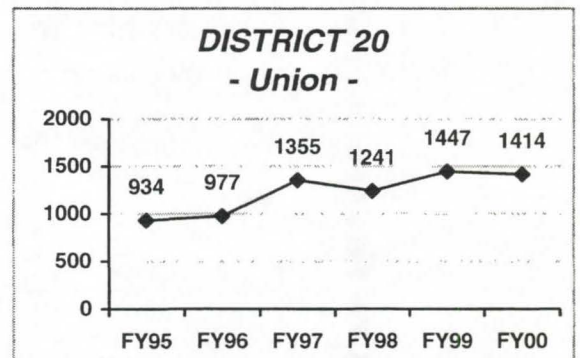
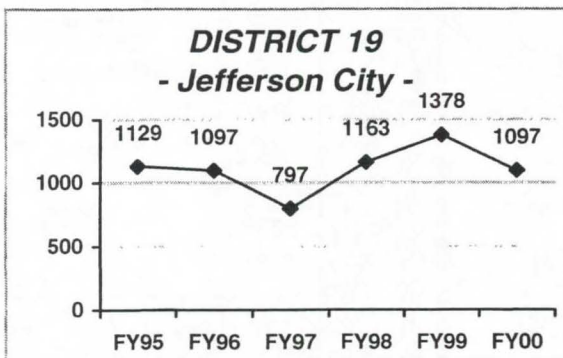
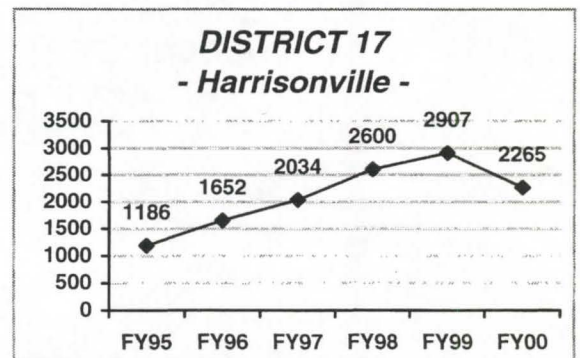
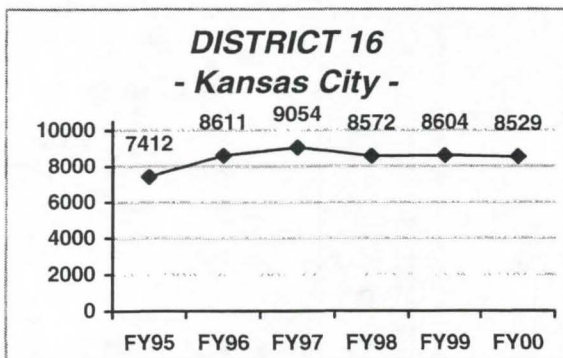
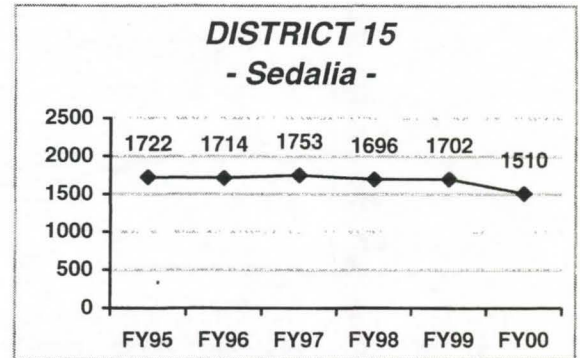
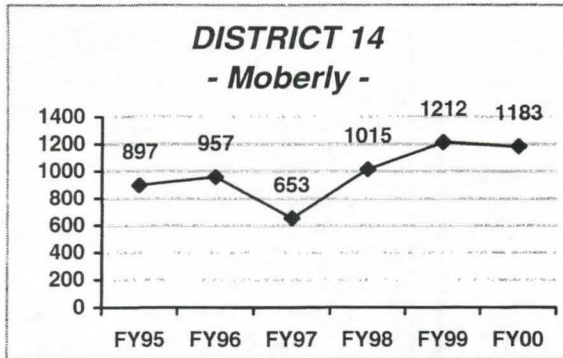


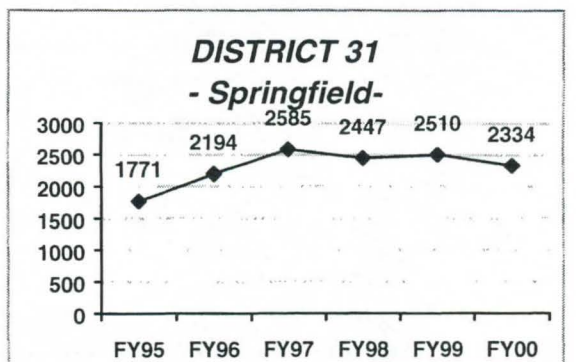
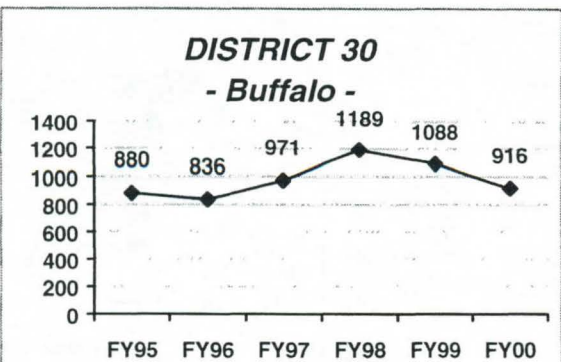
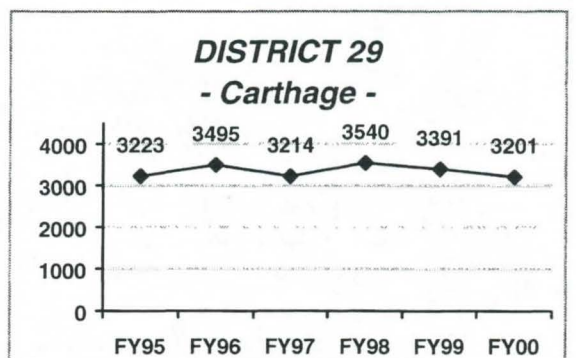
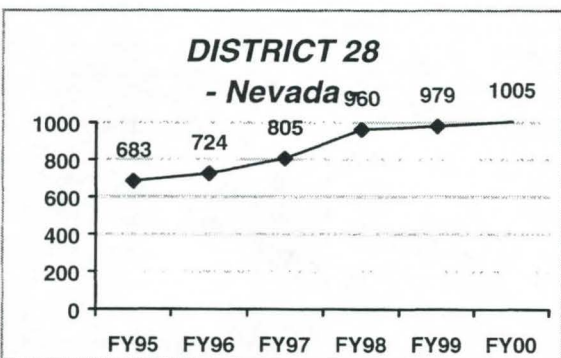
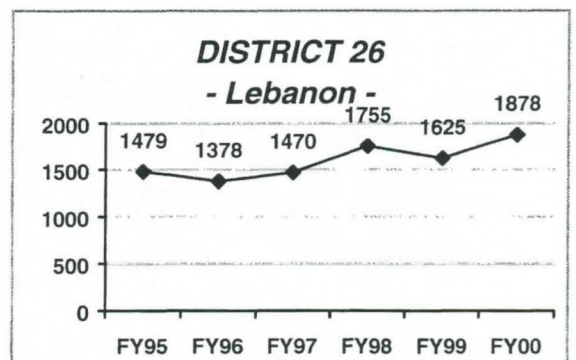
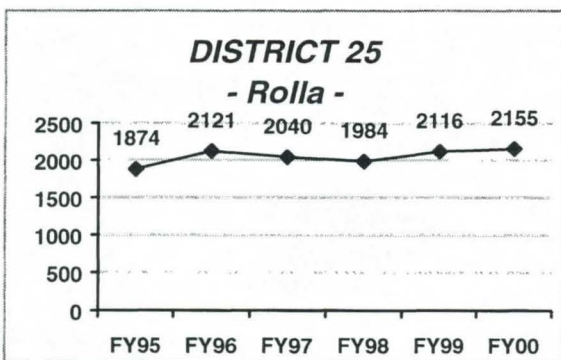
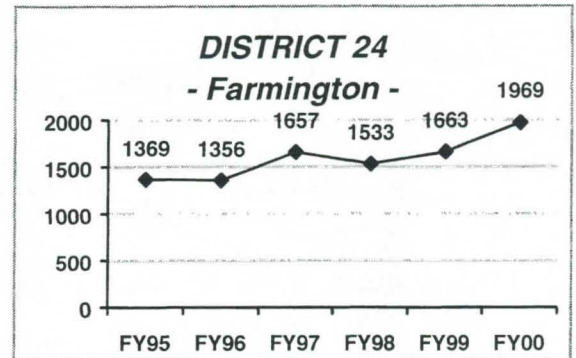
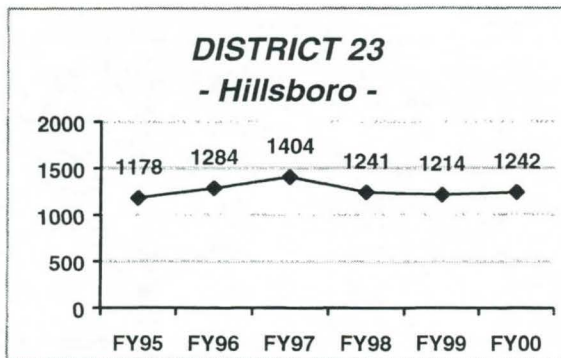


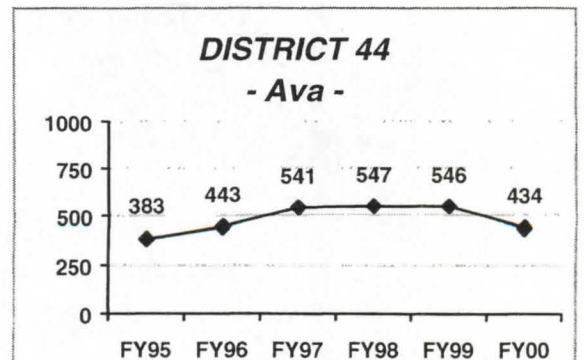
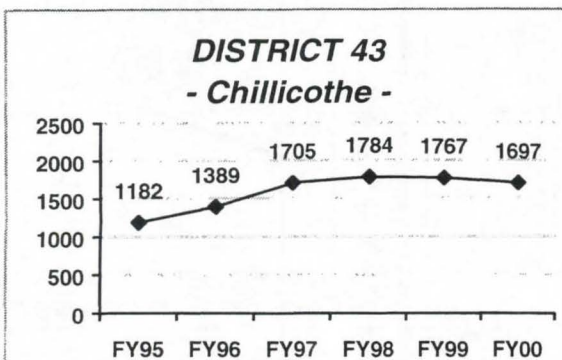
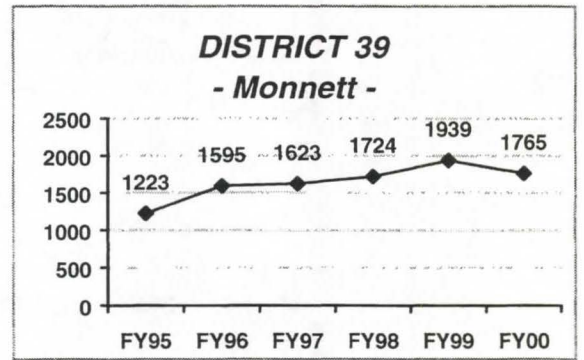
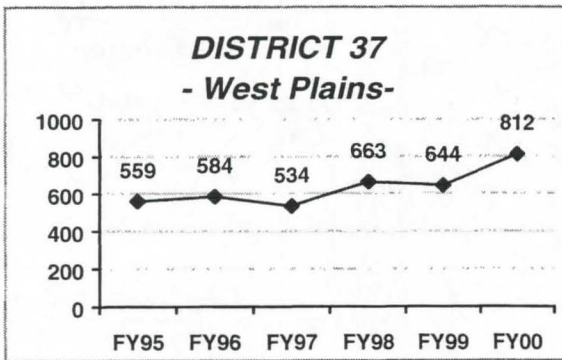
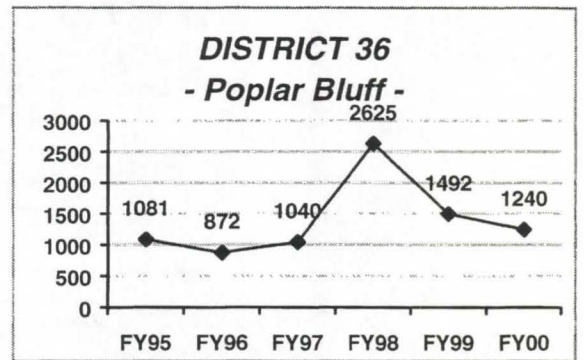
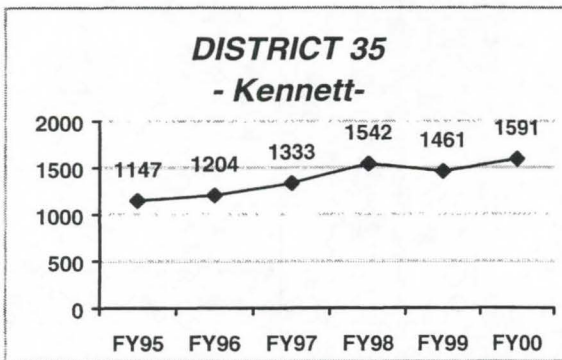
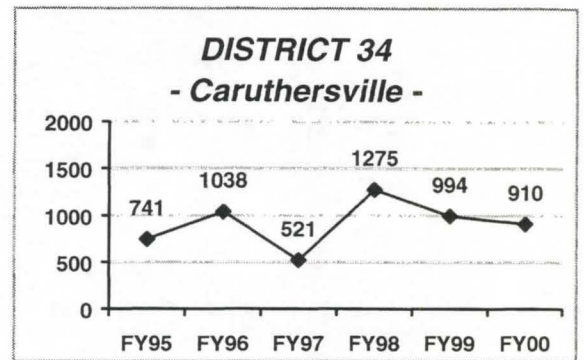
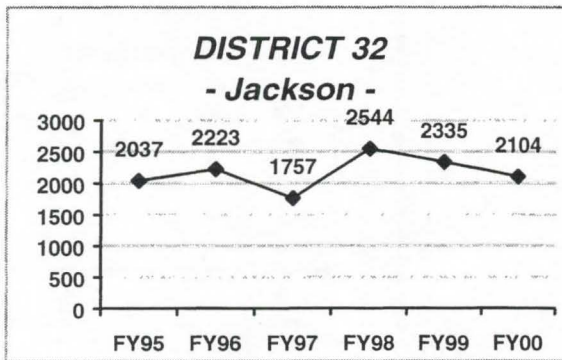


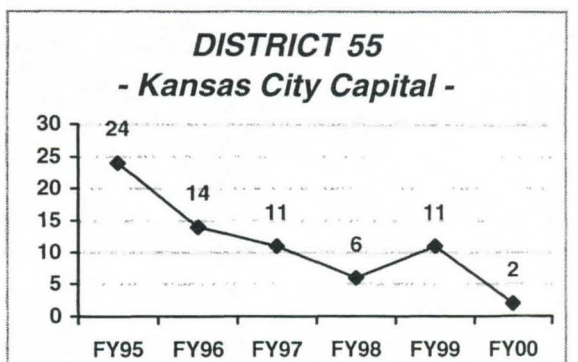
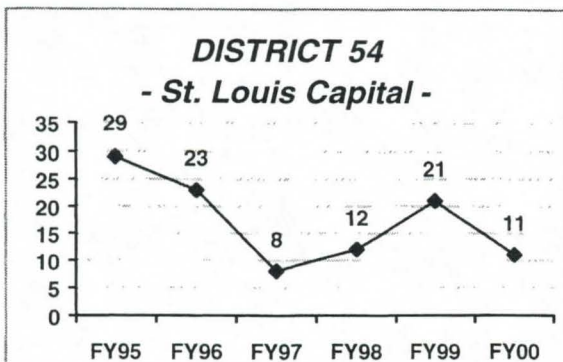
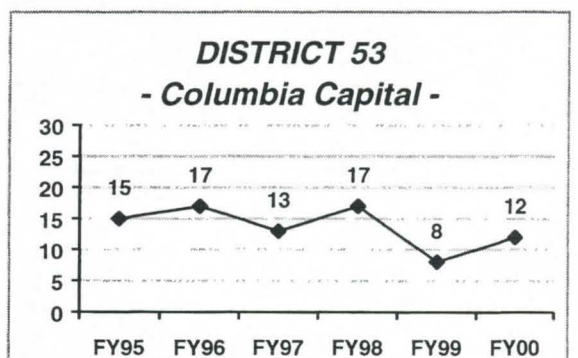
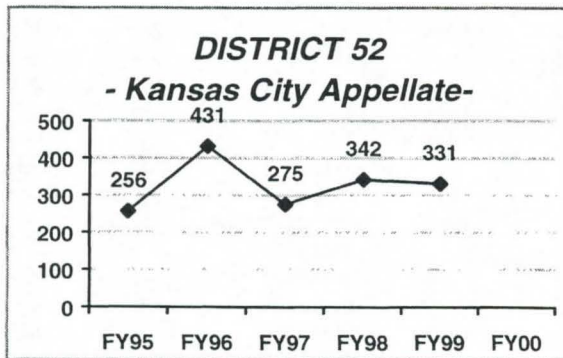
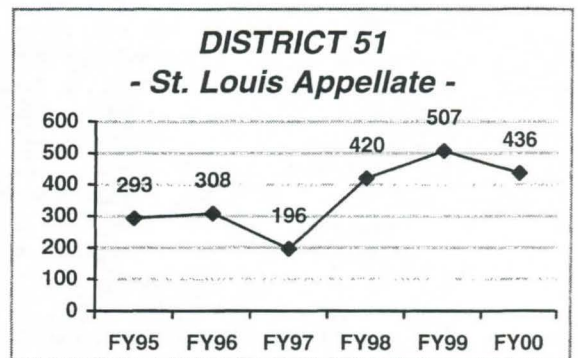
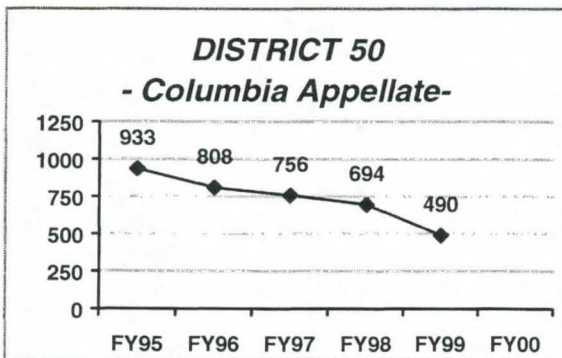
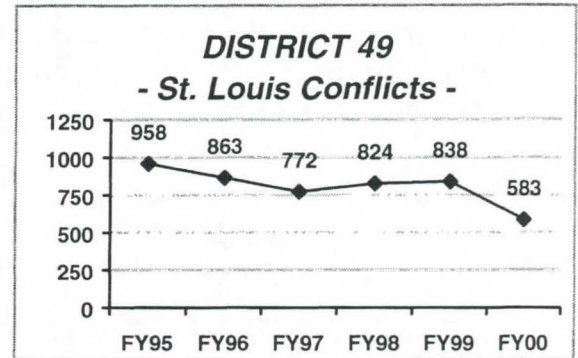
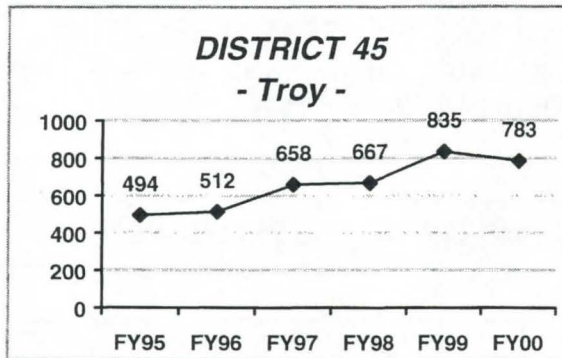
Closed Caseload By District FY95 – FY2000











Cases Closed

Cost of Cases Closed

The average cost of all cases assigned to the State Public Defender system (including Death Penalty Representation) in Fiscal Year 2000 was \$286.28. The Trial Division average was \$217.67. These both compare very favorably to the last computed average under the old appointed counsel system of \$390 per case in 1981.

FISCAL YEAR 2000 – TRIAL DIVISION COSTS PER CASE

District	Location	Current District Defender	Total Costs For District	FY2000 Cases Assigned	Cost Per Assignment	FY2000 Cases Disposed	Cost Per Disposition
1	Juvenile	Trish Harrison	\$582,744	2,164	\$269.29	1,619	\$359.94
2	Kirksville	Brendan Maturen	\$171,944	447	\$384.66	429	\$400.80
4	Maryville	Jeff Stephens	\$122,606	370	\$331.37	370	\$331.37
5	St. Joseph	Anthony Cardarella	\$390,304	2,139	\$182.47	2,102	\$185.68
7	Liberty	Katherine Ladesh	\$611,486	3,098	\$197.38	3,026	\$202.08
10	Hannibal	Raymond Legg	\$262,731	1,064	\$246.93	1,032	\$254.58
11	St. Charles	Christine Sullivan	\$441,488	1,640	\$269.20	1,669	\$264.52
12	Fulton	Michael Hamilton	\$321,745	1,652	\$194.76	1,540	\$208.93
13	Columbia	Robert Fleming	\$475,860	3,673	\$129.56	3,642	\$130.66
14	Moberly	Thomas Marshall	\$274,731	1,182	\$232.43	1,183	\$232.23
15	Sedalia	Kathleen Brown	\$365,681	1,540	\$237.46	1,510	\$242.17
16	Kansas City	Joel Elmer	\$1,819,919	9,223	\$197.32	8,529	\$213.38
17	Harrisonville	Jeffrey Martin	\$396,534	2,632	\$150.66	2,265	\$175.07
19	Jefferson City	Jan King	\$249,500	1,244	\$200.56	1,097	\$227.44
20	Union	Lisa Preddy	\$223,131	1,462	\$152.62	1,414	\$157.80
21	St. Louis County	Shawn Goulet	\$1,367,386	3,805	\$359.37	3,289	\$415.75
22	St. Louis City	Jerry Montgomery	\$1,787,373	8,241	\$216.89	6,979	\$256.11
23	Hillsboro	Lisa Clover	\$232,396	1,234	\$188.33	1,242	\$187.11
24	Farmington	Wayne Williams	\$326,942	1,734	\$188.55	1,969	\$166.04
25	Rolla	Charles Hoskins	\$355,380	2,358	\$150.71	2,155	\$164.91
26	Lebanon	Kimberly Benjamin	\$342,335	1,901	\$180.08	1,878	\$182.29
28	Nevada	Joe Zuzal	\$209,730	1,003	\$209.10	1,005	\$208.69
29	Carthage	Larry Maples	\$565,924	3,791	\$149.28	3,201	\$176.80
30	Buffalo	Dewayne Perry	\$222,713	941	\$236.68	916	\$243.14
31	Springfield	Jon Van Arkel	\$541,907	2,739	\$197.85	2,334	\$232.18
32	Jackson	Kent Hall	\$493,627	2,409	\$204.91	2,104	\$234.61
34	Caruthersville	Karen Bolton	\$218,520	985	\$221.85	910	\$240.13
35	Kennett	Catherine Rice	\$248,759	1,552	\$160.28	1,591	\$156.35
36	Poplar Bluff	Wade Schuster	\$229,291	1,232	\$186.11	1,240	\$184.91
37	West Plains	Donna Anthony	\$197,480	761	\$259.50	812	\$243.20
39	Monnett	Victor Head	\$469,999	1,916	\$245.30	1,765	\$266.29
43	Chillicothe	David Miller	\$317,140	1,707	\$185.79	1,697	\$186.88
44	Ava	Susan Faust	\$146,781	437	\$335.88	434	\$338.21
45	Troy	Brian Zink	\$249,797	849	\$294.22	783	\$319.03
46	Sentencing - GR	Vacant Director	\$345,148				
49	St. Louis Conflicts	Robert Steele	\$480,545	656	\$732.54	583	\$824.26

FISCAL YEAR 2000 – APPELLATE DIVISION COSTS PER CASE

District	Location	Current District Defender	Total Costs For District	FY2000 Cases Assigned	Cost Per Assignment	FY2000 Cases Disposed	Cost Per Disposition
50	Columbia Appellate	Craig Johnston	\$601,269	296	\$2,031.31	296	\$2,031.31
51	St. Louis Appellate	Douglas Hoff	\$486,298	262	\$1,856.10	218	\$2,230.73
52	Appellate/PCR Western A	Susan Hogan	\$403,847	182	\$2,218.94	163	\$2,477.59
67	PCR Central	Steve Harris	\$686,729	326	\$2,106.53	221	\$3,107.37
68	Appellate/PCR Eastern B	Nancy Vincent	\$489,357	205	\$2,387.11	218	\$2,244.76
69	Appellate/PCR Western E	Andrew Schroeder	\$175,867	185	\$950.63	134	\$1,312.44

FISCAL YEAR 2000 – CAPITAL DIVISION COSTS PER CASE

District	Location	Current District Defender	Total Costs For District	FY2000 Cases Assigned	Cost Per Assignment	FY2000 Cases Disposed	Cost Per Disposition
53	Columbia Capital	Janice Zembles	\$968,493	7	\$138,356.15	12	\$80,707.75
54	St. Louis Capital	Robert Wolfrum	\$1,051,944	20	\$52,597.22	13	\$80,918.80
55	Kansas City Capital	Cynthia Short	\$625,161	7	\$89,308.77	2	\$312,580.71

Cost of the State Public Defender System

SECOND REGULAR SESSION [TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]

HOUSE BILL NO. 1112

90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FY2001

Section 12.300. To the Office of State Public Defender

For the purpose of funding the
State Public Defender System

Personal Service **0911/95123** **\$21,907,692**
Expense & Equipment **0912/95124** ... **\$5,745,971**
From General Revenue Fund **\$27,653,663**

For the payment of expenses as provided
by Chapter 600 RSMo associated with
the defense of violent crimes and/or the
defense of cases conflict of interest exists

From General Revenue Fund **8727/67095** .. **\$2,059,850**

Total From General Revenue **\$29,713,513**

For all grants and contributions of funds
from the federal government or from any
other source which may be deposited
in the State Treasury for the use of the
Office of the State Public Defender

From Federal Funds **4006/90254** **\$125,000**

For the State Public Defender System
For expenses authorized by the Public
Defender Commission as provided by Section
600.090 RSMo

Personal Service **0951/72823** **\$56,758**
Expense & Equipment **7673/63783** **\$757,356**

From Legal Defense and Defender Fund
(Not to exceed 2 F.T.E.) **\$814,114**

For the payment of refunds set-off against debts as
required by Section 143.796 RSMo

From Debt Offset Escrow Fund (O. F.T.E.)
0753/3023/80023 **\$350,000E**

Total (Not to exceed 558.13 F.T.E.) **\$31,002,627**

Case Activity

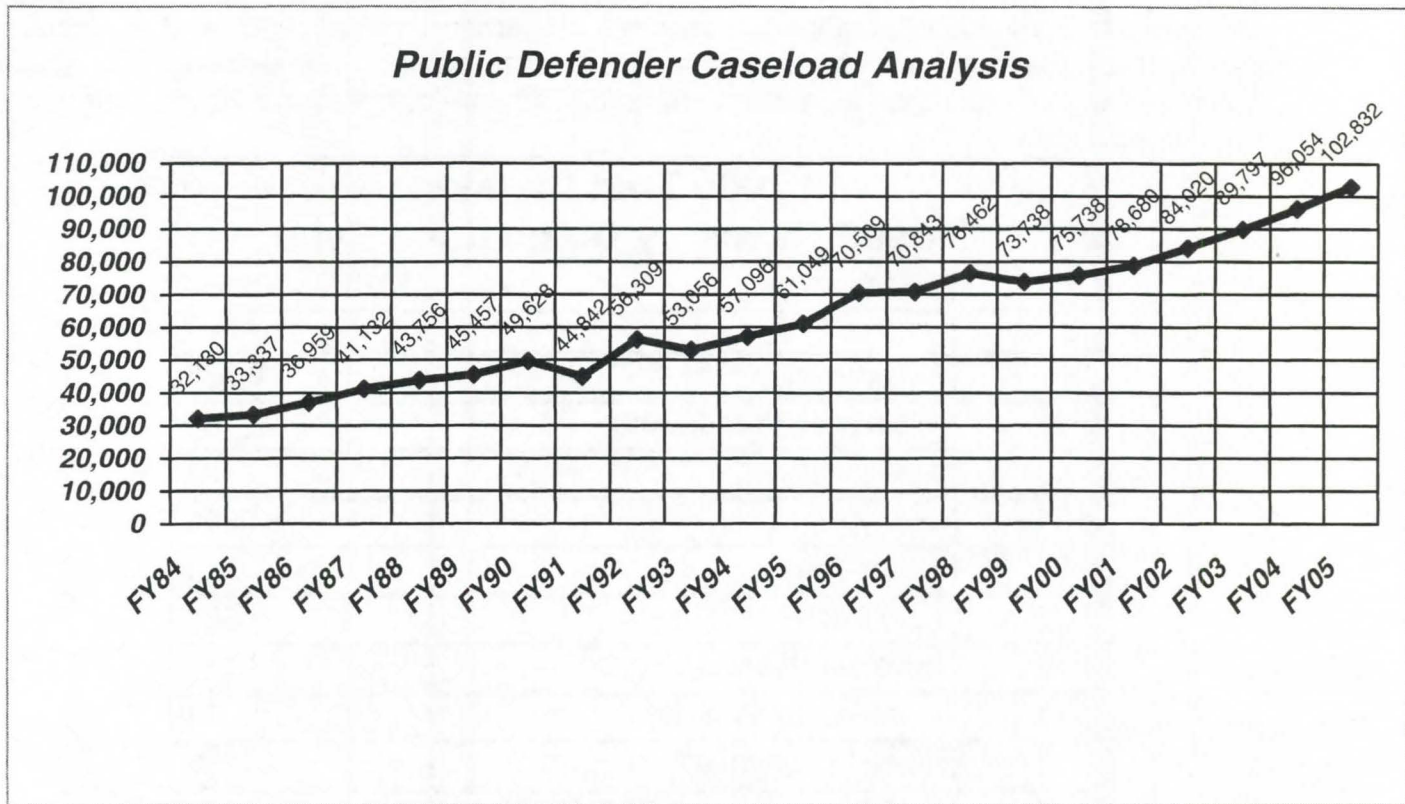
In addition to the number of cases, the disposition of those cases once in the court system has a dramatic impact on the workload of Missouri's Public Defenders. Although, the smallest in number, cases going to trial place the highest demand on an attorney's time. Several hours of pretrial preparation, hearings and motions are required for each hour actually spent in trial. Many cases do not require a trial for disposition but are disposed of only after a court hearing before the judge. These cases can include juvenile hearing, probation revocations hearings and preliminary hearings which also require considerable research and preparation before the actual court appearance.

Other dispositions, such as guilty pleas, dismissals and withdrawals, also place a crushing time burden on Missouri's Public Defenders. Some individual cases may require very little attorney time before the case is disposed of by plea or other disposition. Some cases require considerable preparation, investigation and negotiation before the case can be disposed of by plea or dismissal. In either event, the sheer volume of cases places an extreme demand on the time of Missouri's Public Defenders and support staff.

FY2000 Trial Division Closed Cases by Disposition Type		
	Description	# of Cases
01	Withdrawn	6,756
02	Dismissed/Withdrawn	10,736
03	NGRI	39
04	Guilty Plea	31,706
05	Court Trial	542
06	Jury Trial	387
10	Juvenile Hearing	1,109
11	Certification Hearing	74
12	Juvenile Informal Hearing	283
15	PCR No Hearing & PCR Hearings	1
20	Chapter 552	56
25	Probation Violation Hearing	13,116
30	Granted and Denied Writs	8
35	Appeal Decision	10
41	Conflict Transfer	2,202
42	Conflict Assignment	447
50	Capias Warrant > than 1 year	842
	Total Trial Division Closed Cases	68,314

Caseload Increase

An analysis of the caseload of the State Public Defender System shows a continued increase. In FY2000, the State Public Defender System handled 75,738 newly assigned cases. The projection for FY2001 is 78,680 and for FY2002 is 84,020. By Fiscal Year 2005, it is projected that the State Public Defender System will be responsible for representation in over 102,750 criminal cases.



August 2000

Missouri State Public Defender System

	Murder 1st	Other Homicide	Murder + Felony Felony	Caseload	Misdemeanor	Juvenile	PCR	Other	Probation Violations	Appeals	Total Assigned	Total Disposed	Disposed/ Assigned Ratio
FY05 PROJECTION	186	161	35,588	35,935	33,459	5,538	1,111	73	25,685	1,031	102,832	96,368	0.9371
FY04 PROJECTION	186	149	34,135	34,470	31,235	5,343	1,039	79	22,906	982	96,054	91,550	0.9531
FY03 PROJECTION	185	137	32,741	33,063	29,158	5,155	973	86	20,427	935	89,797	86,973	0.9686
FY02 PROJECTION	184	127	31,404	31,715	27,220	4,973	910	94	18,217	891	84,020	82,625	0.9834
FY01 PROJECTION	183	117	30,122	30,422	25,410	4,798	852	103	16,246	849	78,680	78,484	0.9975
FY00 ACTUAL	147	109	28,019	28,275	24,119	4,998	763	76	16,768	739	75,738	69,591	0.9188
FY99 ACTUAL	182	108	28,892	29,182	23,721	4,629	797	112	14,488	809	73,738	74,570	1.0113
FY98 ACTUAL	196	87	31,591	31,874	24,676	4,270	674	138	14,141	689	76,462	74,495	0.9743
FY97 ACTUAL	169	79	29,663	29,911	21,912	4,075	513	156	13,437	839	70,843	67,870	0.9580
FY96 ACTUAL	175	88	30,198	30,461	23,069	3,612	707	178	11,444	1,038	70,509	70,664	1.0022
FY95 ACTUAL	256	109	27,688	28,053	17,696	3,916	719	165	9,362	1,138	61,049	61,710	1.0108
FY94 ACTUAL	255	152	25,338	25,745	17,852	3,374	682	201	8,225	1,017	57,096	52,453	0.9187
FY93 ACTUAL	301	136	24,402	24,839	15,883	3,146	766	249	7,301	872	53,056	52,363	0.9869
FY92 ACTUAL	282	37	25,458	25,777	19,974	3,372	1,129	167	5,321	569	56,309	55,651	0.9883
FY91 ACTUAL	193	63	21,304	21,560	13,941	2,713	588	169	5,051	820	44,842	49,038	1.0936
FY90 ACTUAL	227	109	23,336	23,672	14,627	3,300	732	369	5,834	1,094	49,628	46,425	0.9355
FY89 ACTUAL	193	149	20,838	21,180	12,902	3,298	1,342	418	5,074	1,243	45,457	42,532	0.9357
FY88 ACTUAL	202	161	20,640	21,003	12,427	3,455	1,006	470	4,475	920	43,756	40,117	0.9168
FY87 ACTUAL	199	145	19,254	19,598	11,736	3,564	755	443	4,308	728	41,132	37,081	0.9015
FY86 ACTUAL	166	175	17,042	17,383	10,602	3,328	612	611	3,815	608	36,959	34,491	0.9332
FY85 ACTUAL	152	172	15,397	15,721	9,126	3,500	543	522	3,293	632	33,337	32,410	0.9722
FY84 ACTUAL	176	175	15,048	15,399	9,256	3,058	534	499	2,878	506	32,130	31,730	0.9876

OFFICE SPACE

When the Missouri State Public Defender System was established, the burden and expense of office space and utility services for local public defender offices was placed on the counties served by that office. That burden remains today in the form of RSMo. 600.040.1 which reads:

The city or county shall provide office space and utility services, other than telephone service, for the circuit or regional public defender and his personnel. If there is more than one county in a circuit or region, each county shall contribute, on the basis of population, its pro rata share of the costs of office space and utility services, other than telephone service. The state shall pay, within the limits of the appropriation therefore, all other expenses and costs of the state public defender system authorized under this chapter.

Some county governments have objected to and resent being required to pay for office space for a Department of State Government. When the Missouri State Public Defender System was first established and RSMo. 600.040.1 was first enacted, public defender services in most areas of the state were provided through private attorneys who contracted with Missouri's Public Defender System to provide such services. Since private contract counsel provided services from their private offices, county governments did not have to provide office space and utilities.

In 1989, a major reorganization of the state public defender system did away with the private contract counsel system. In fiscal years 1990 and 1991, the Missouri State Public Defender System greatly expanded its number of local offices and replaced the previous contract system in its entirety. Although this reorganization greatly changed the number of local offices, the manner of funding office rent and utilities for these offices was not changed.

In 1997, the legislature responded to the refusal of some counties to provide or pay for Public Defender office space. Language was added to House Bill 5, allowing for the interception of prisoner per diem payments to counties failing to meet their obligations under 600.040. The state has intercepted some money intended for counties that scoffed at their obligation, however, the interceptions and threat of interceptions have put great strain on state-county relations.

In 1999, the legislature once again addressed the problem of providing Public Defender office space. A new section, (RSMo. 600.101), was added which allows disputes between counties and the State Public Defender to be submitted to the Judicial Finance Commission (RSMo. 477.600). Section 600.101 also calls for a study and report from the Judicial Resources Commission to be prepared for the chairs of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees, Senate Appropriations Committee, and House Budget Committee.

Today, some county governments provide public defender office space in county courthouses or other county facilities, some counties rent office space and pay their pro

rata share of that rent as required by statute. Some counties, strapped for office space for their own county officials, provide woefully inadequate space in county facilities. Some county governments provide no office space at all and refuse to provide rented office space outside county facilities.

Disputes between counties and the Department of State Public Defender have expanded beyond the statutory obligation. Disputes have not only concerned whether or not office space will be provided at all, they have included *where* and *what* space will be provided.

Either because of economic necessity or in passive resistance to their obligation, some counties house the Public Defender in woefully inadequate facilities. Public Defenders have endured the indignities of insect infestation, lack of privacy, leaky roofs, and cramped quarters, to name a few.

Counties simply have no interest in the adequacy of the Public Defender facilities, especially when they don't want to provide space at all. The State Public Defender is not interested in securing fancy, luxurious offices. It's interest is to have facilities adequate to ensure efficient, effective use of personnel and other resources appropriated to the Department. Most Public Defender districts are multi-county. Since the current statute requires each county to pay their pro rata share, inter-county cooperation is essential. It is not always forthcoming.

Although establishment of Public Defender offices is the authority of the State Public Defender Commission, (RSMo. 600.023), counties have sought to provide office space at the location of their choice; typically their own county. They have refused to pay their pro rata share to the host county when they are unhappy with the office location. On at least one occasion, these county disputes have risen to the point of lawsuits being filed.

The State Public Defender Commission is interested in locating offices in multi-county Districts where they will be the most effective and efficient use of state resources. Counties do not share that interest, preferring the office to be located where it will cost the least and have the most positive economic impact on their local economy, efficiency and the desires of other counties and the State Public Defender notwithstanding.

The current statutory scheme requires counties to cooperate with each other, and with this Department, to provide office space for a Department of State Government. They do so under the threat of prisoner per diem interceptions. It is a formula for conflict between the State Public Defender and counties, as well as between counties of multi-county districts.

The problem is sure to get worse in the future. Projecting a conservative 8% increase in caseload, Missouri's Public Defender System will handle over 100,000 cases by 2005. Moreover, a four year trend shows public defender caseload is decreasing in city offices, while it is up sharply in nearly all multi-county districts. More cases will mean more personnel. Under the current statute, Missouri's Public Defender Commission is unable to establish and/or expand offices as needed, where needed.

In summary, the physical plant of local public defender offices varies greatly, depending upon the ability and/or willingness of local county governments to provide office space. Some public defender offices have adequate space, which greatly enhances their efficiency. Other offices have woefully inadequate space and their ability to effectively and efficiently accomplish their mission is greatly reduced. Under the current statute, the administration can do little to ensure the adequacy and uniformity of office space in local public defender offices.

A change in the legislation, specifically repealing portions of RSMo. 600.040.1, is recommended. Although probably adequate at the time the public defender system was first organized, this Department has grown far beyond its humble beginnings and the original intent of RSMo. 600.040.1. The legislature, judiciary and public demand a swift, efficient administration of justice. In order to meet that demand, the Missouri Public Defender System needs adequate, efficient physical plants in all its offices. This need is simply not being met under the current statutory scheme.

STUDENT LOAN RELIEF

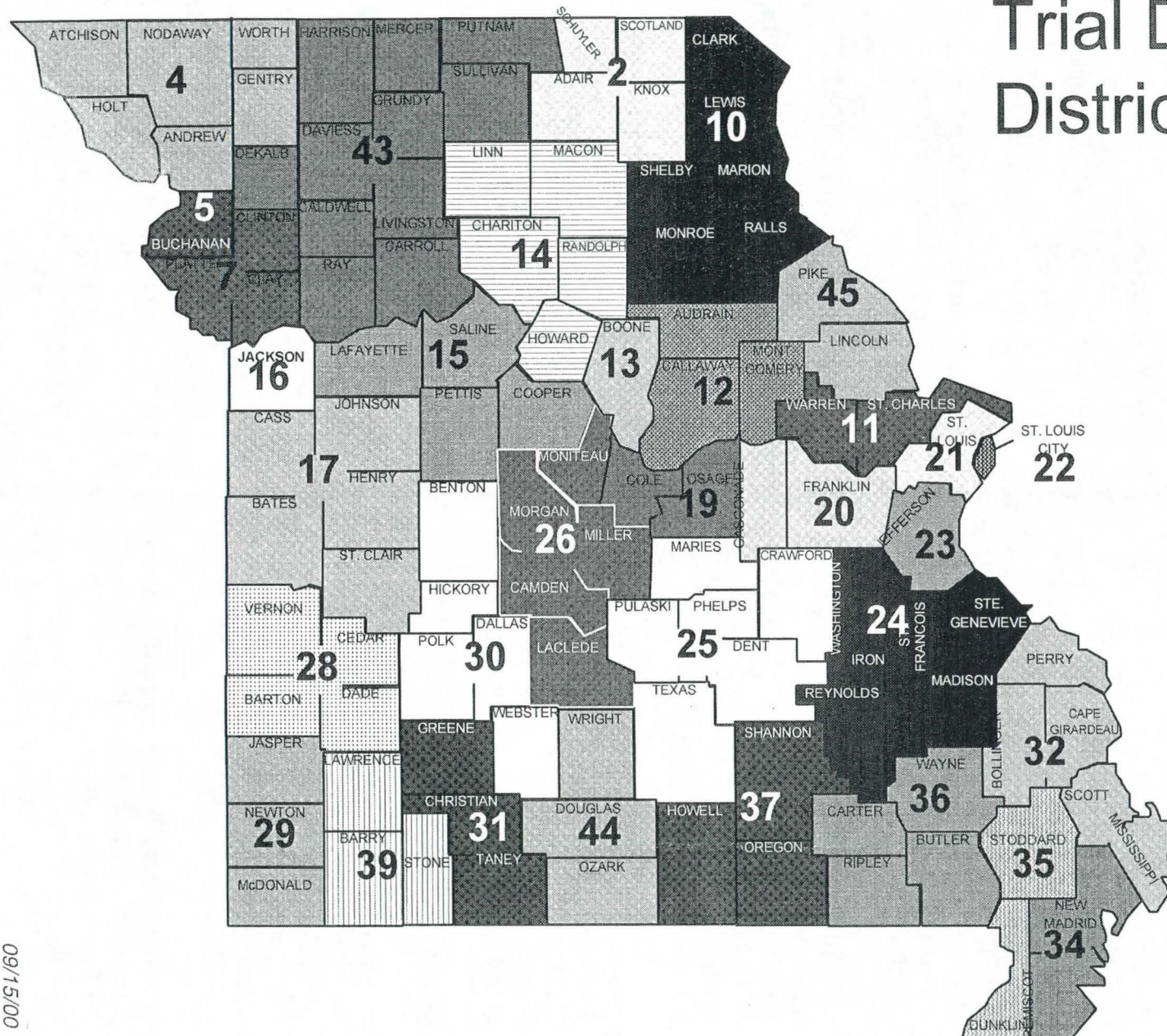
Most new attorneys hired by the Office of State Public Defender are recent law school graduates. Nearly all these graduates have considerable student loan debt. A recent survey indicates most law school graduates hired by this Department have student loan debt of \$50,000 to \$100,000. Approximately five percent surveyed had debt in excess of \$100,000. The heavy debt burden of recent graduates is greatly hampering this Department's ability to hire new attorneys. Interviews with prospective indicates that, although some students would prefer public service as public defenders, they simply cannot afford to do so at the entry level salary with their heavy student loan debt. In short, graduates desirous of public service are forced into the private sector. The public loses quality individuals, and these graduates lose the ability to pursue the honorable public service of their choice.

The judicial process is slowed because of expanding caseloads and this Department's inability to hire new attorneys. In fiscal year 2000, public defender case assignments were up 2.9% to 75,738 cases. However, case dispositions were down 6.7% to 69,591 cases. Justice is slowed and this Department falls farther and farther behind with this 91.9 disposition rate, the lowest in twelve years. Over 6,000 public defender cases assigned in FY00 were not closed.

The Missouri State Public Defender Commission supports legislation which would provide student loan relief to assistant public defenders in the early years of their public service. Ideally, loan forgiveness would greatly enhance recruitment abilities, but there are other options available. Deferral of student loans in the early years of an assistant public defender's career would soften the blow as assistant public defenders began student loan repayment after their salaries rose above the entry level. Reductions in interest rate for those entering public service, much as is offered to Missouri teachers, would also provide relief.

The Missouri State Public Defender Commission considers the inability to hire new attorneys at a crisis level and cannot continue without severely hampering the speedy administration of justice in the State of Missouri.

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